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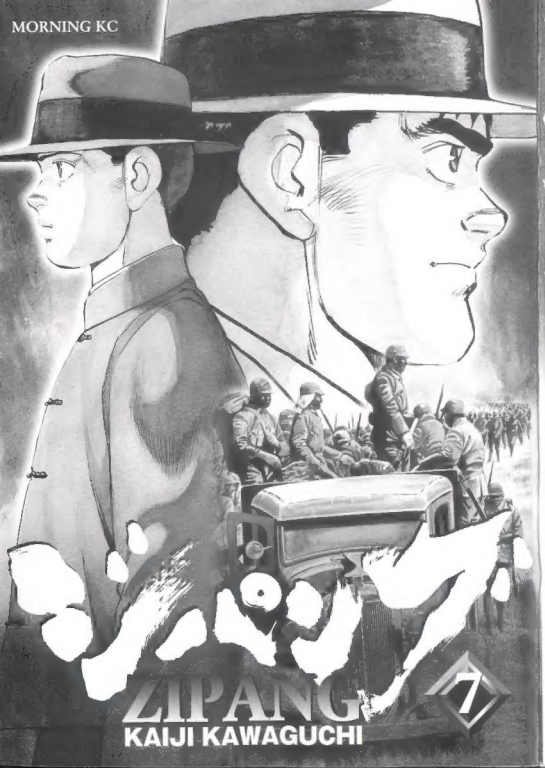

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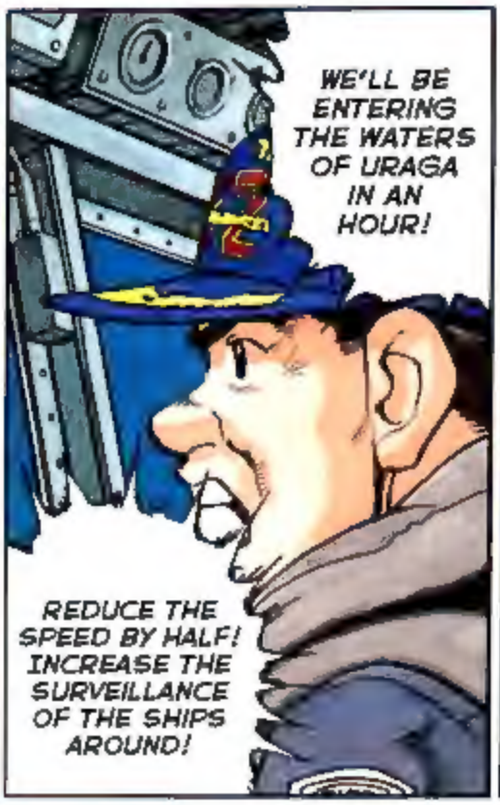
AT LAST, WE'RE BACK...

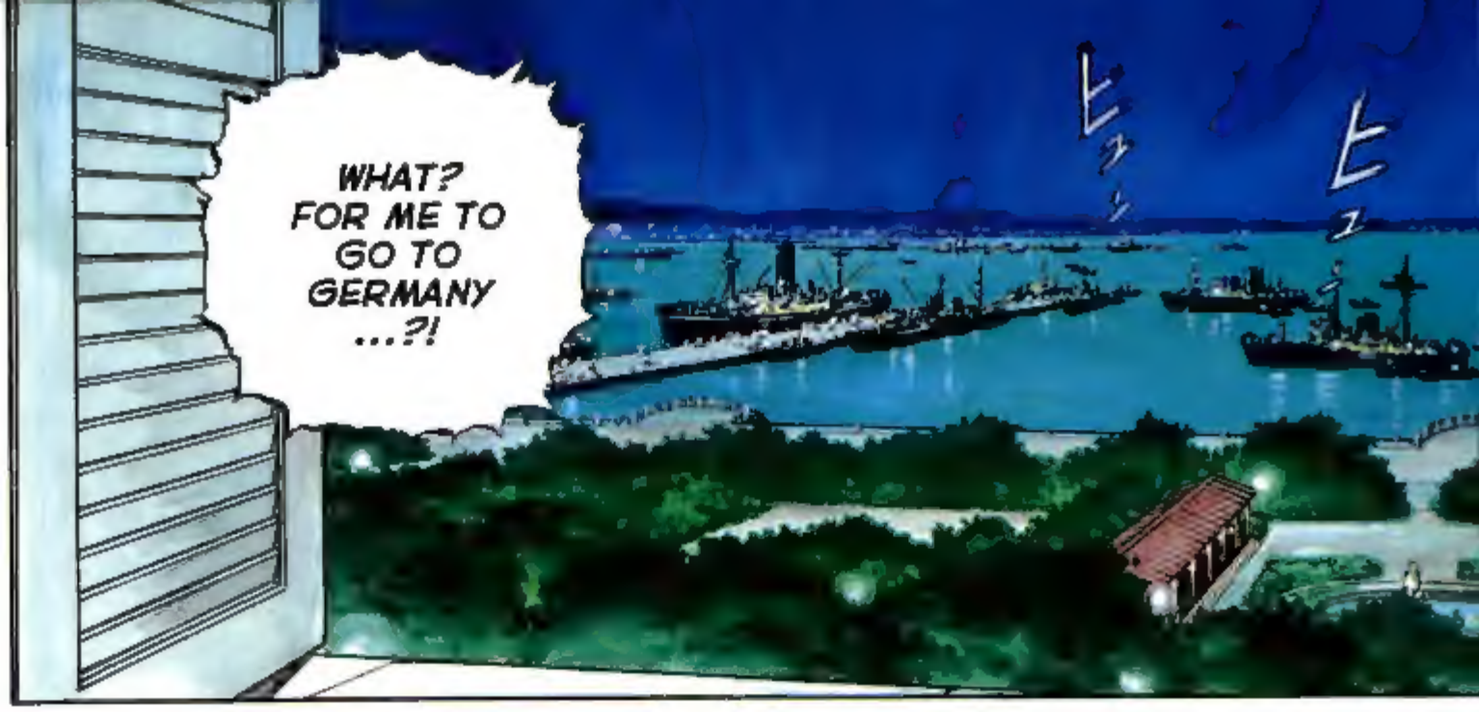

WE'LL BE ENTERING THE WATERS OF URAGA IN AN HOUR!
REDUCE THE SPEED BY HALF! INCREASE THE SURVEILLANCE OF THE SHIPS AROUND!

CAPTAIN! IT'S TATEYAMA!

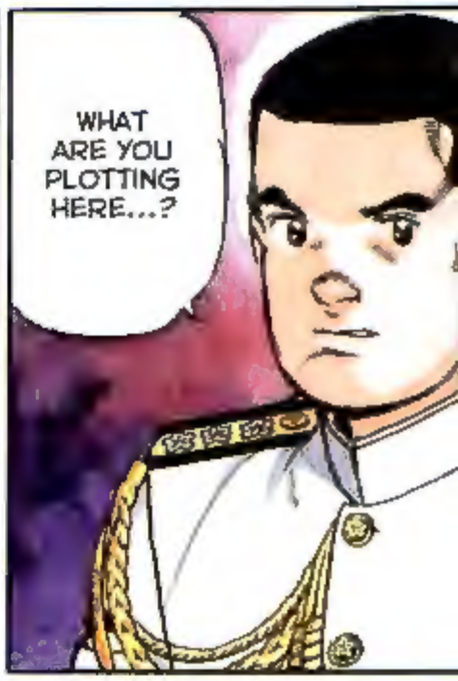
NO DOUBT HERE, THOSE ARE YOKOSUKA'S LIGHTS.
DDH
Mirai

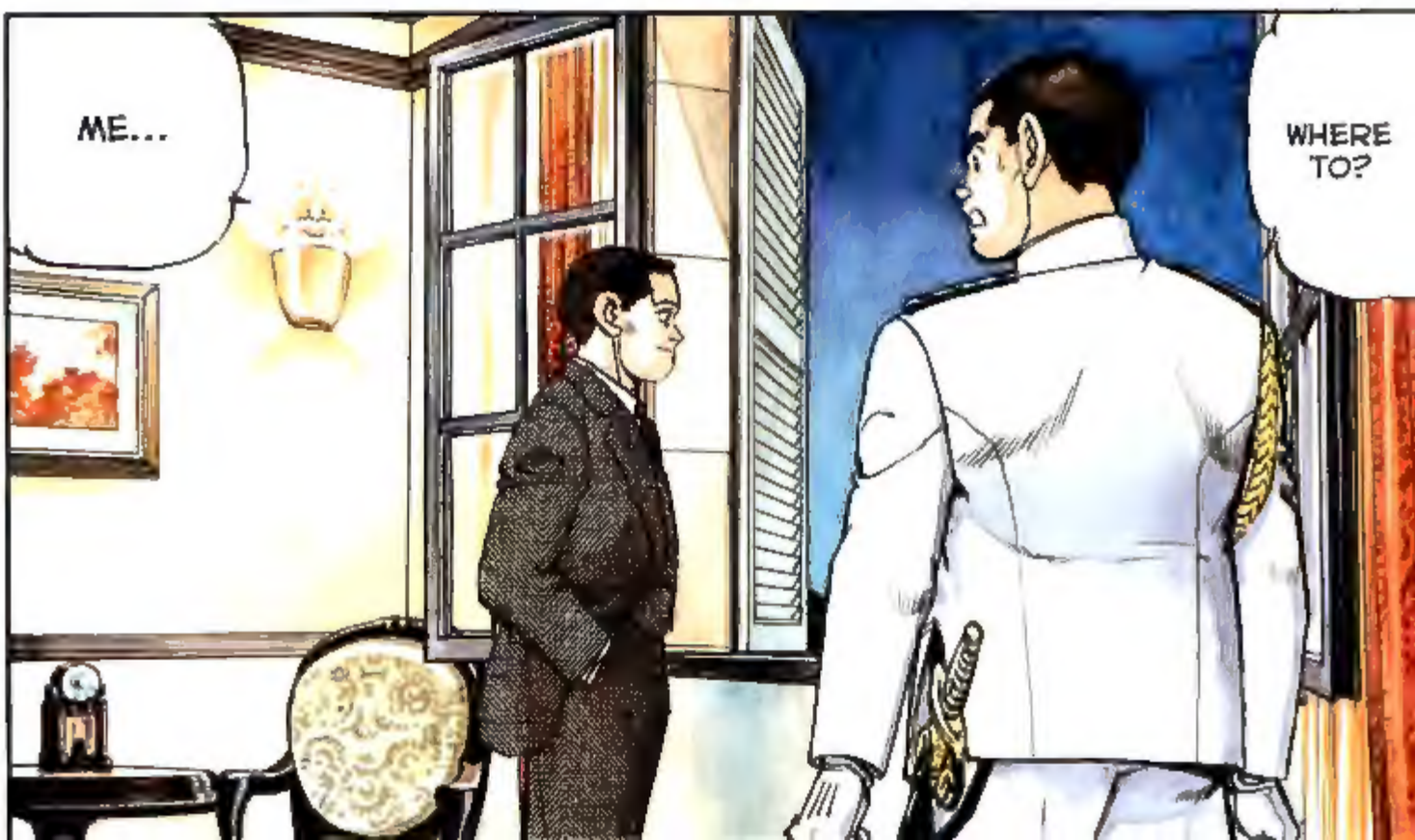
EVEN IF THE LIGHTS ARE FROM 1942...

WAKE 64 ENTERING YOKOSUKA HARBOR


WHAT? FOR ME TO GO TO GERMANY ...?!

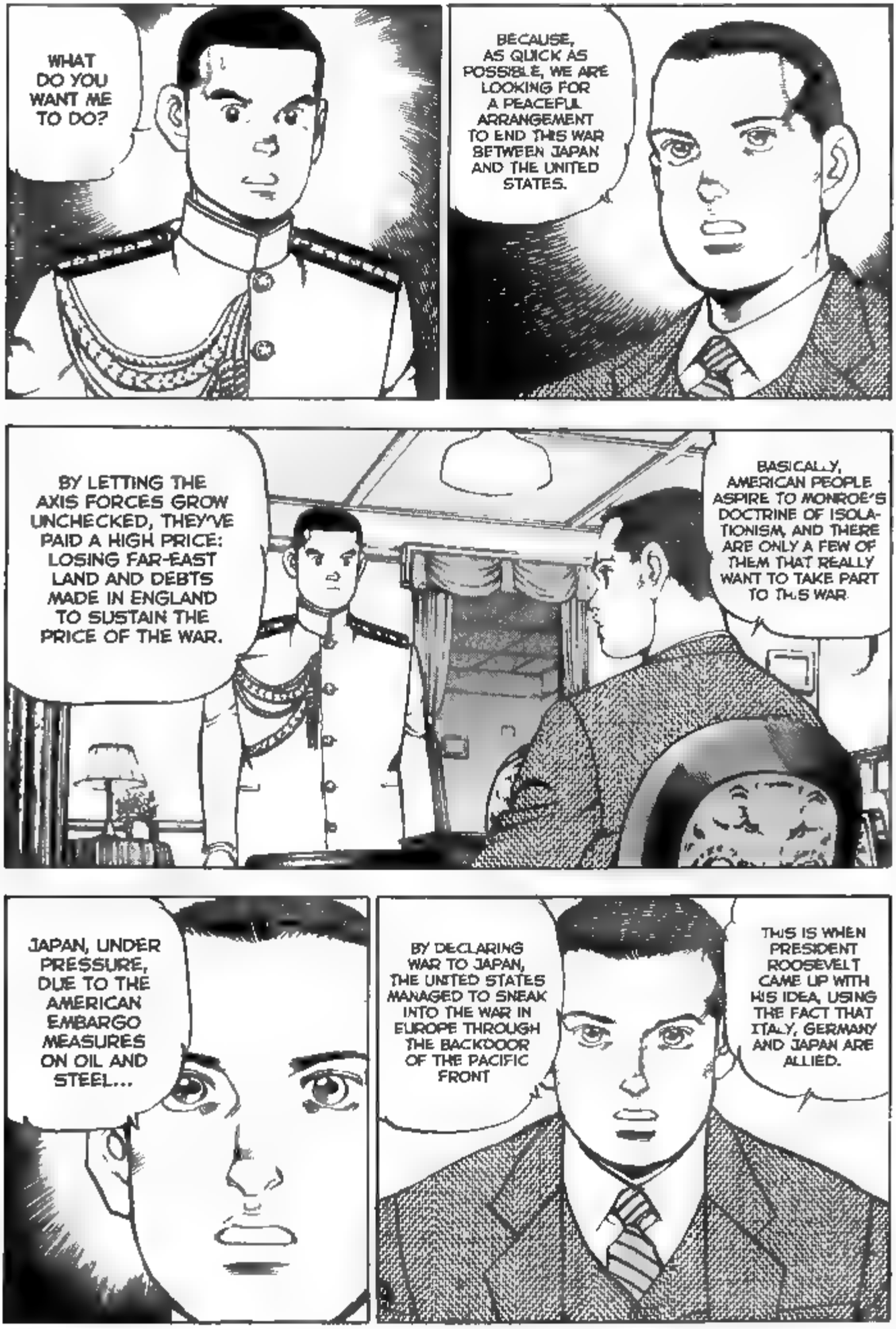
YOU SAID YOU'D LEAVE JAPAN AS WELL...

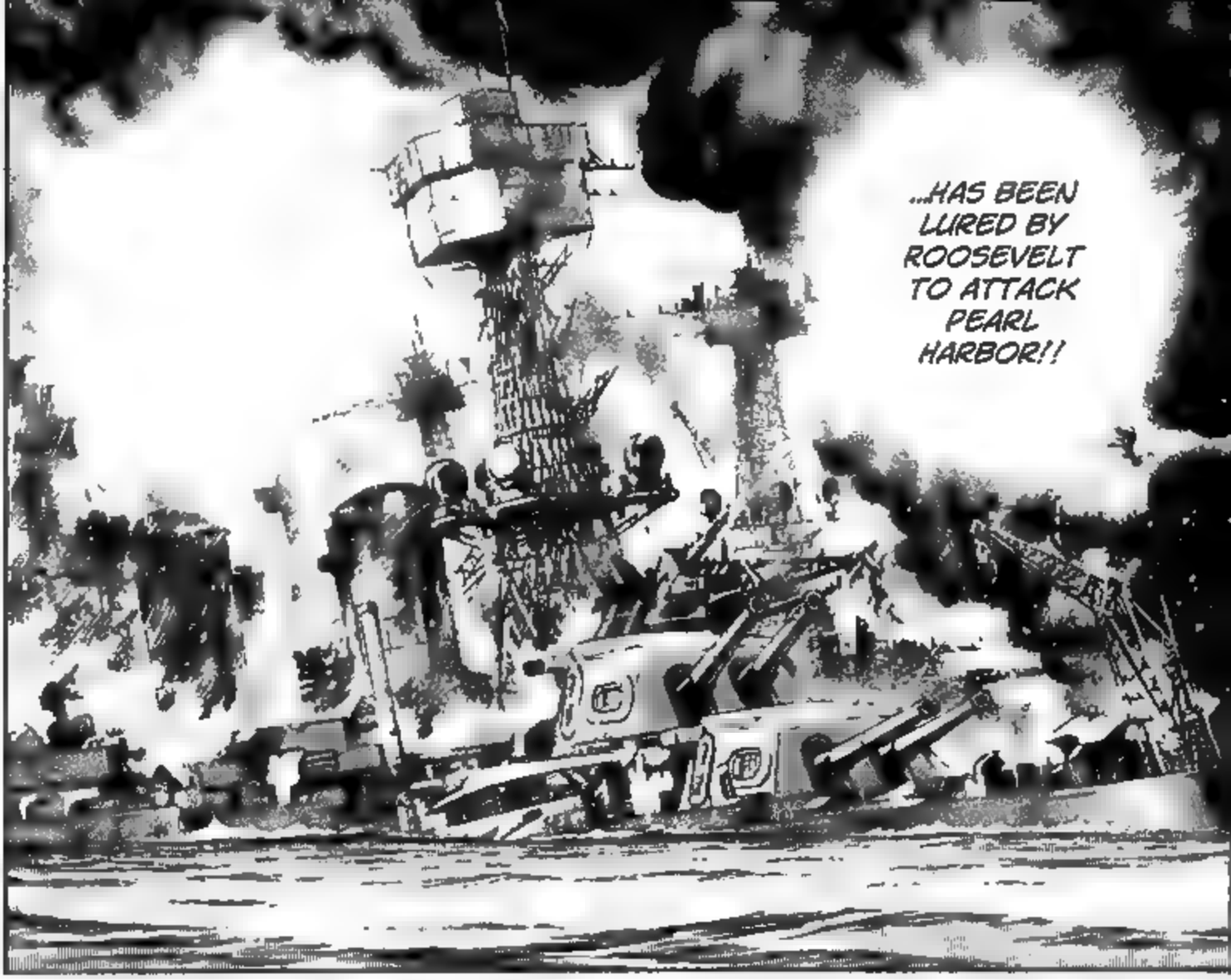

WHAT ARE YOU PLOTTING HERE...?

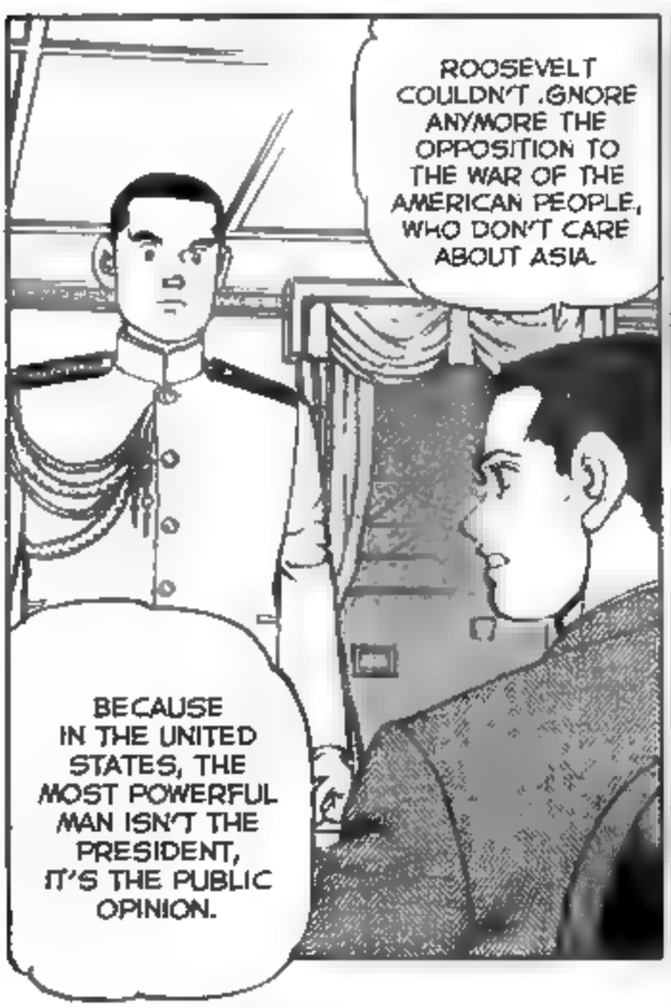

ME...
WHERE TO?

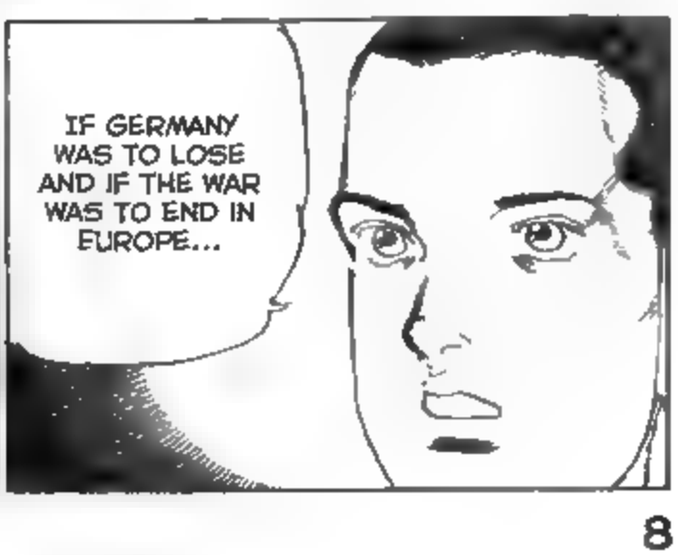
MANCHU-RIA?!
I'M GOING TO MANCHURIA.
INDEPEN-DENCE?
TO LEAD THIS COUNTRY TO THE REAL INDEPEN-DENCE.
WHAT FOR?
SO THIS IS FOR YOU.
LIEUTENANT TSUDA, YOU'LL EVENTUALLY GO TO GERMANY...

ARCHIVES OF THE 3RD REICH'S AXIS.
WHAT IS IT?
FROM 1942 TO NOW, 1943...
EVERY-THING IS THERE.
AXIS?
HOLD ON A MINUTE! WHY WOULD I GO THERE?!
YOUR THREE YEARS LONG EXPERIENCE IN GERMANY SHOULD BE REALLY HELPFUL.
AT THE MOMENT, IN EUROPE, THE BATTLE OF STALIN-GRAD IS ABOUT TO BEGIN.


WHAT DO YOU WANT ME TO DO?
BECAUSE, AS QUICK AS POSSIBLE, WE ARE LOOKING FOR A PEACEFUL ARRANGEMENT TO END THIS WAR BETWEEN JAPAN AND THE UNITED STATES.
BY LETTING THE AXIS FORCES GROW UNCHECKED, THEY'VE PAID A HIGH PRICE: LOSING FAR-EAST LAND AND DEBTS MADE IN ENGLAND TO SUSTAIN THE PRICE OF THE WAR.
BASICALLY, AMERICAN PEOPLE ASPIRE TO MONROE'S DOCTRINE OF ISOLATIONISM, AND THERE ARE ONLY A FEW OF THEM THAT REALLY WANT TO TAKE PART TO THIS WAR.
JAPAN, UNDER PRESSURE, DUE TO THE AMERICAN EMBARGO MEASURES ON OIL AND STEEL...
BY DECLARING WAR TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES MANAGED TO SNEAK INTO THE WAR IN EUROPE THROUGH THE BACKDOOR OF THE PACIFIC FRONT
THIS IS WHEN PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT CAME UP WITH HIS IDEA, USING THE FACT THAT ITALY, GERMANY AND JAPAN ARE ALLIED.

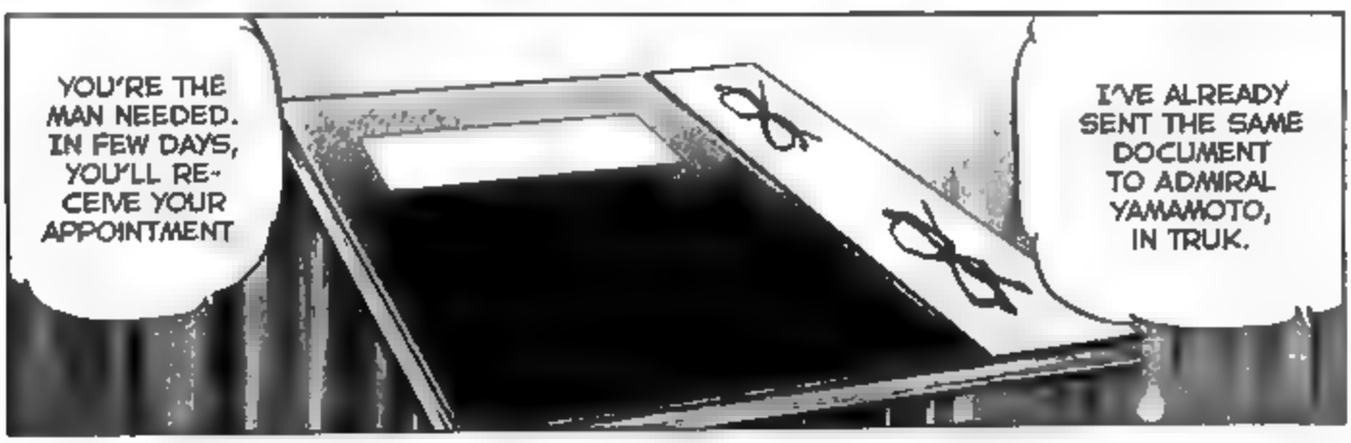

...HAS BEEN LURED BY ROOSEVELT TO ATTACK PEARL HARBOR!!


ROOSEVELT COULDN'T .GNORE ANYMORE THE OPPOSITION TO THE WAR OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, WHO DON'T CARE ABOUT ASIA.
BECAUSE IN THE UNITED STATES, THE MOST POWERFUL MAN ISN'T THE PRESIDENT, IT'S THE PUBLIC OPINION.


IF GERMANY WAS TO LOSE AND IF THE WAR WAS TO END IN EUROPE...

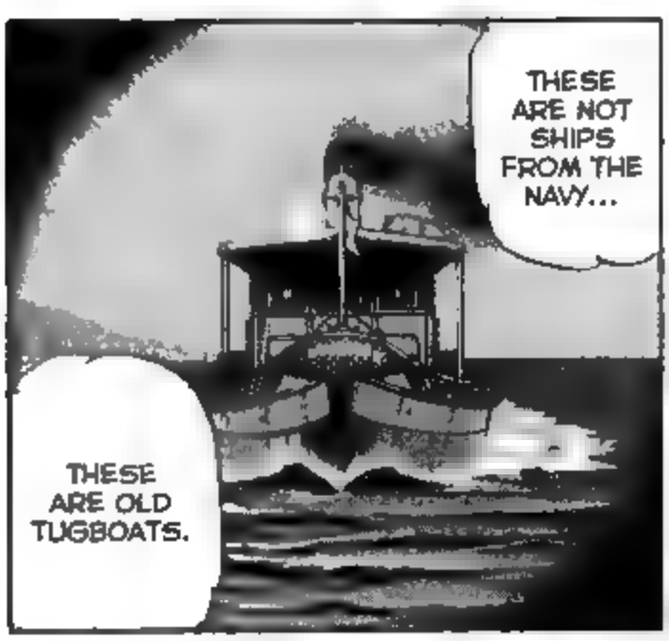
SOONER OR LATER, SENIOR OFFICIALS FROM JAPAN WILL BE DISTURBED BY THE EXISTENCE OF THIS SHIP.
TOMORROW MORNING, THE MIRAI WILL BE ENTERING YOKOSUKA HARBOR.
IF EVERY-THING GOES ACCORD-ING TO PLAN...
THIS IS THE LAST OCCASION WE HAVE, TO BRING PEACE IN THE NEXT SIX MONTHS.
BUT THIS IS NOT THE SAME WITH GERMANY.
ROOSEVELT'S DEATH WON'T BE ENOUGH TO STOP THE UNITED STATES...

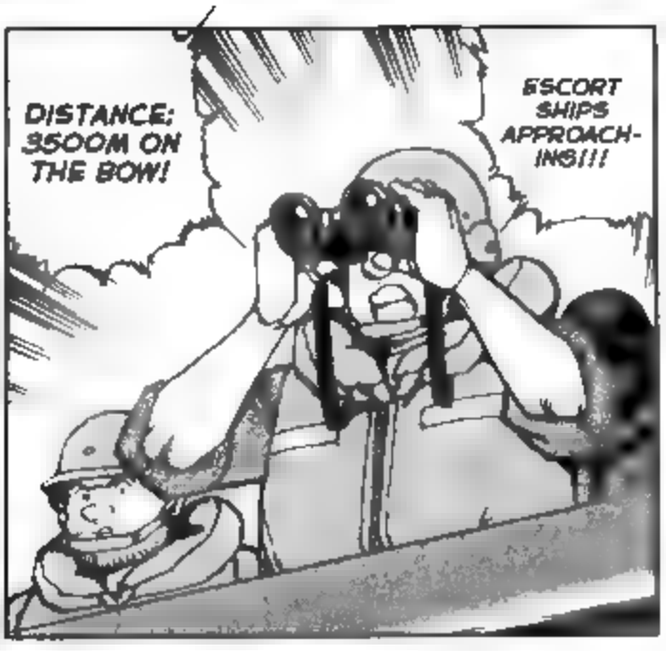
THE NAZI GOVERNMENT RELIES EXCLUSIVELY ON HITLER'S CHARISMA.

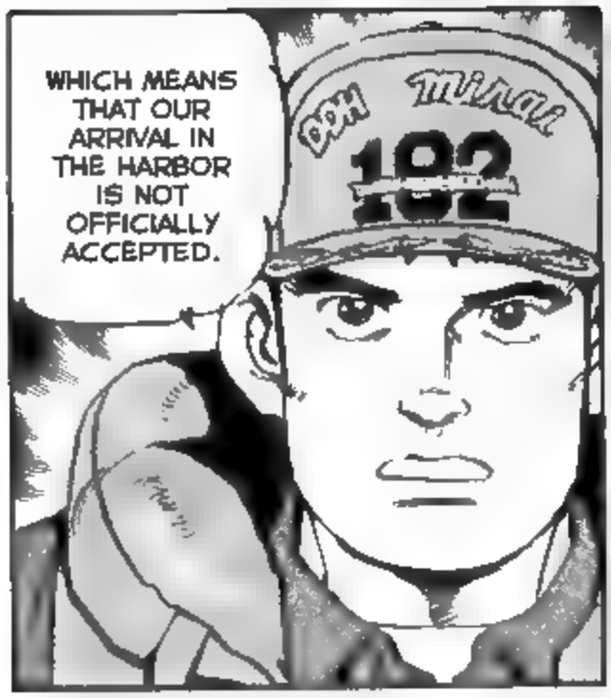

YOU'RE THE MAN NEEDED. IN FEW DAYS, YOU'LL RECEIVE YOUR APPOINTMENT
I'VE ALREADY SENT THE SAME DOCUMENT TO ADMIRAL YAMAMOTO, IN TRUK.

FOR THE NAZI REGIME TO FALL...
IN OTHER WORDS...

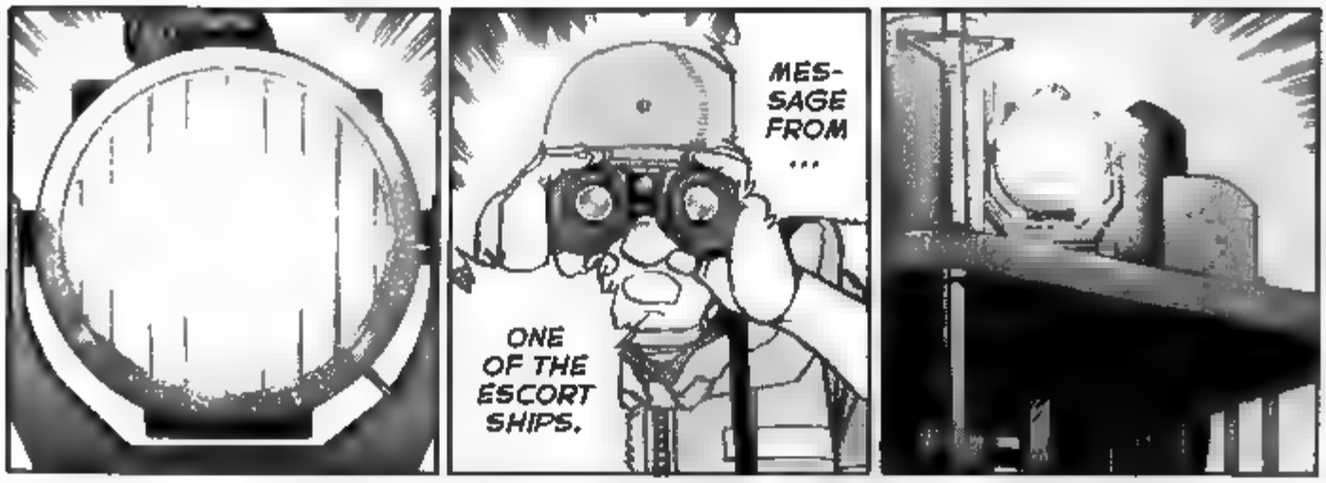
YOU'RE ASKING ME...
...TO ASSASSINATE HITLER...


THESE ARE NOT SHIPS FROM THE NAVY...
THESE ARE OLD TUGBOATS.


DISTANCE: 3500M ON THE BOW!
ESCORT SHIPS APPROACH-ING!!!


WHICH MEANS THAT OUR ARRIVAL IN THE HARBOR IS NOT OFFICIALLY ACCEPTED.

THEY'RE NOT SENDING THE NAVY...


MES-
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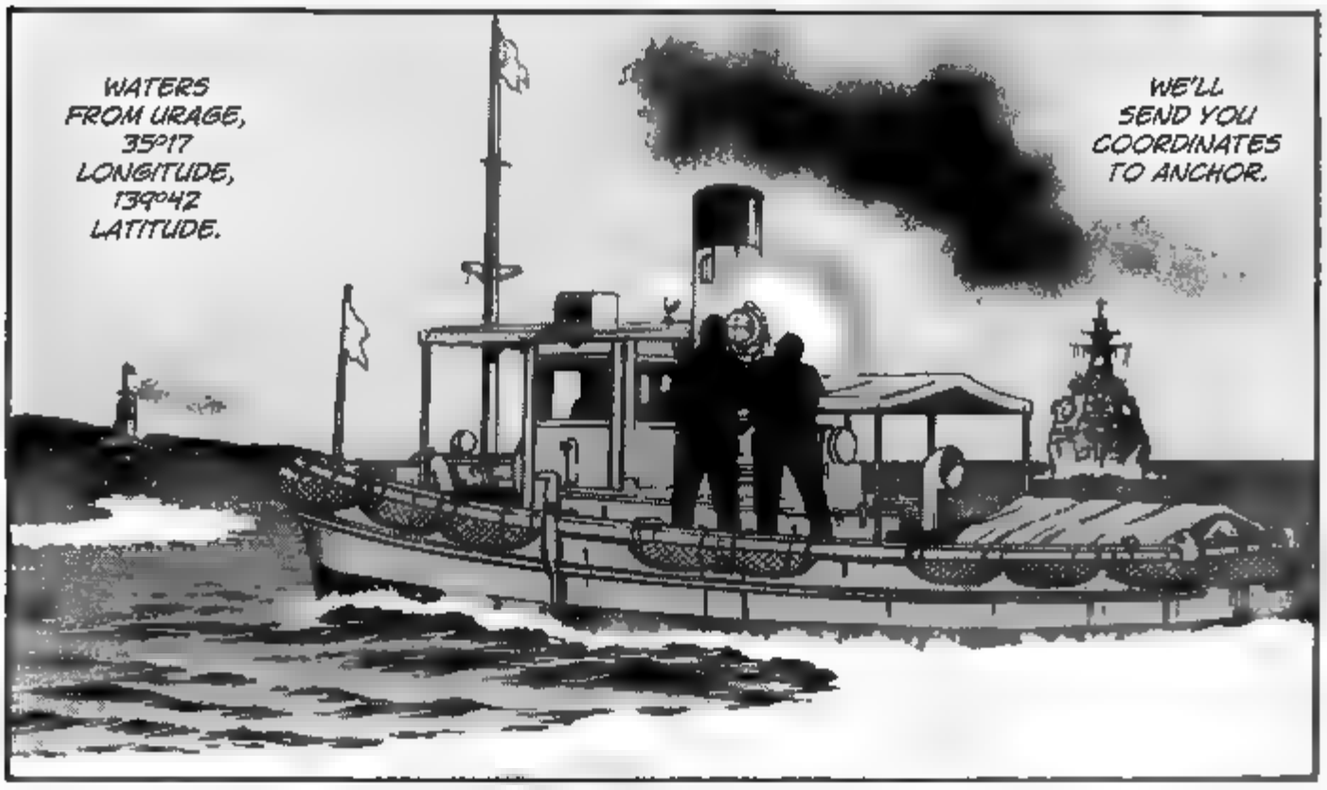
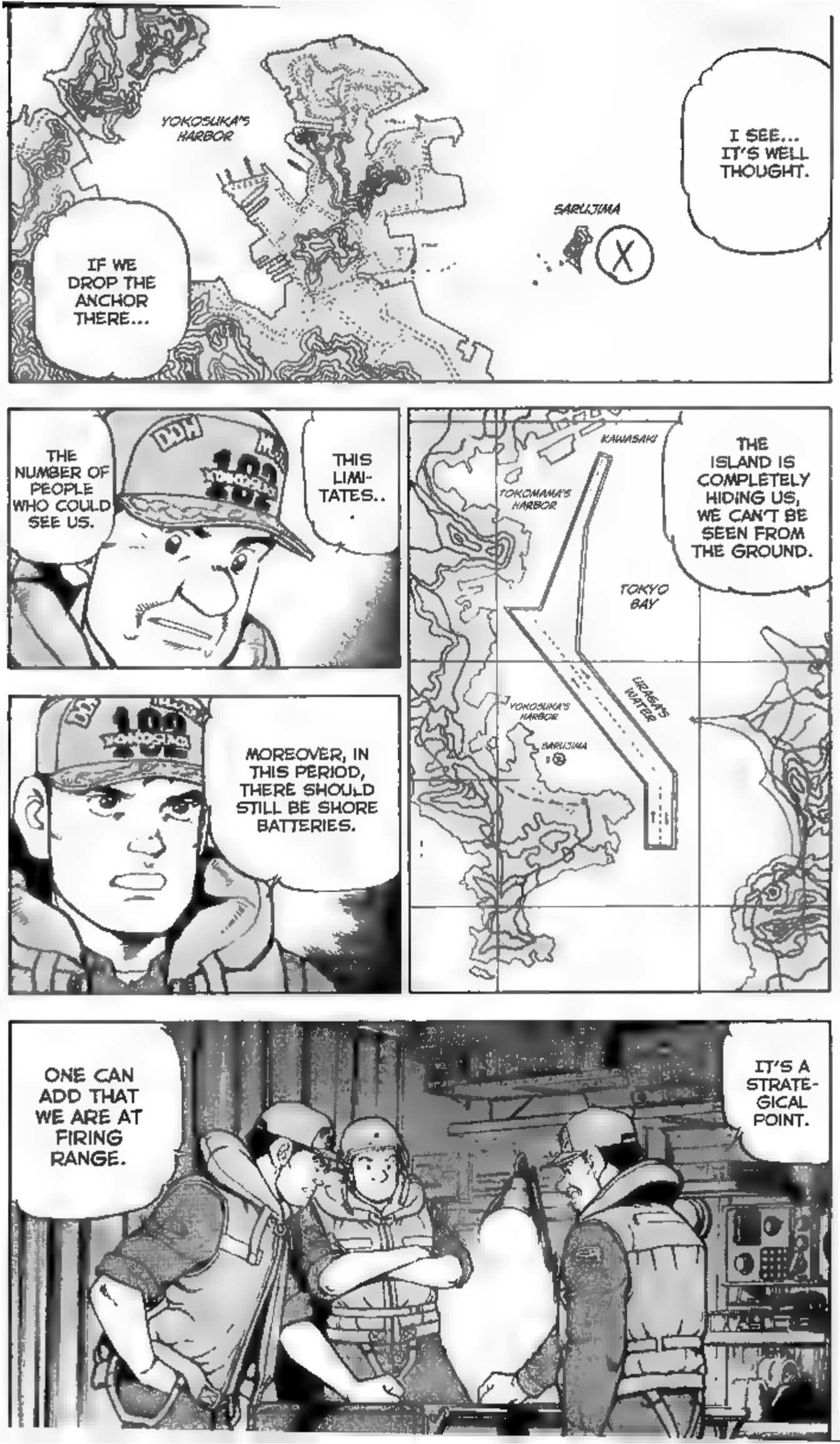
SHIPS.

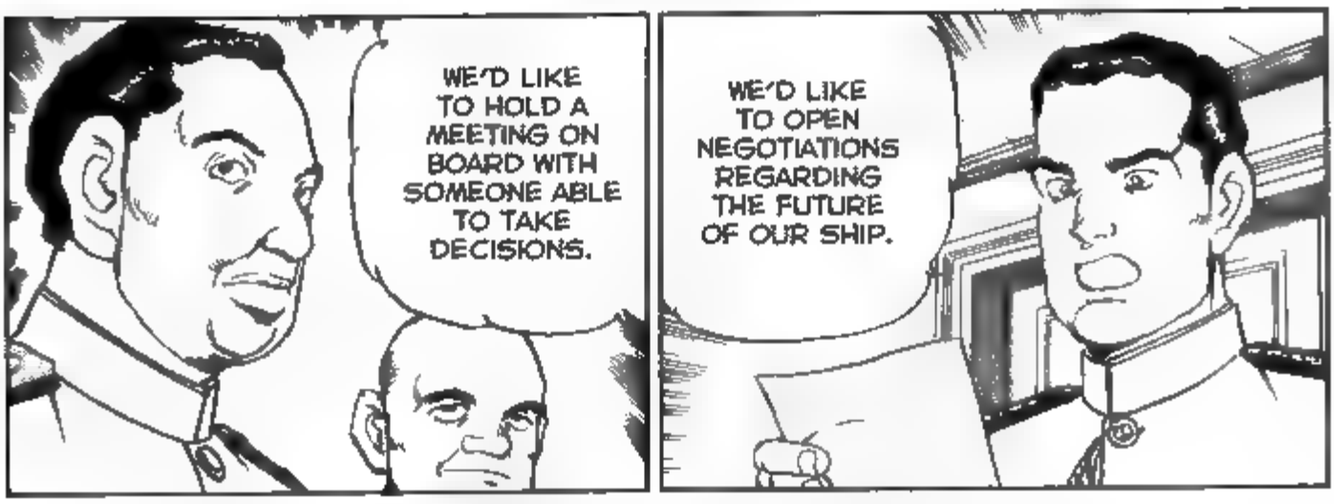

WATERS
FROM URAGE,
35°17
LONGITUDE,
139°42
LATITUDE.
WE'LL
SEND YOU
COORDINATES
TO ANCHOR.

SARUJIMA
...?!
OFF
SARUJIMA.
500M
TO THE
EAST...


YOKOSUKA'S HARBOR
SARUJIMA
IF WE DROP THE ANCHOR THERE...
I SEE... IT'S WELL THOUGHT.
THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO COULD SEE US.
THIS LIMITATES..
KAWASAKI
TOKOMAMA'S HARBOR
TOKYO BAY
URAGA'S WATER
YOKOSUKA'S HARBOR
SARUJIMA
THE ISLAND IS COMPLETELY HIDING US, WE CAN'T BE SEEN FROM THE GROUND.
MOREOVER, IN THIS PERIOD, THERE SHOULD STILL BE SHORE BATTERIES.
ONE CAN ADD THAT WE ARE AT FIRING RANGE.
IT'S A STRATEGICAL POINT.

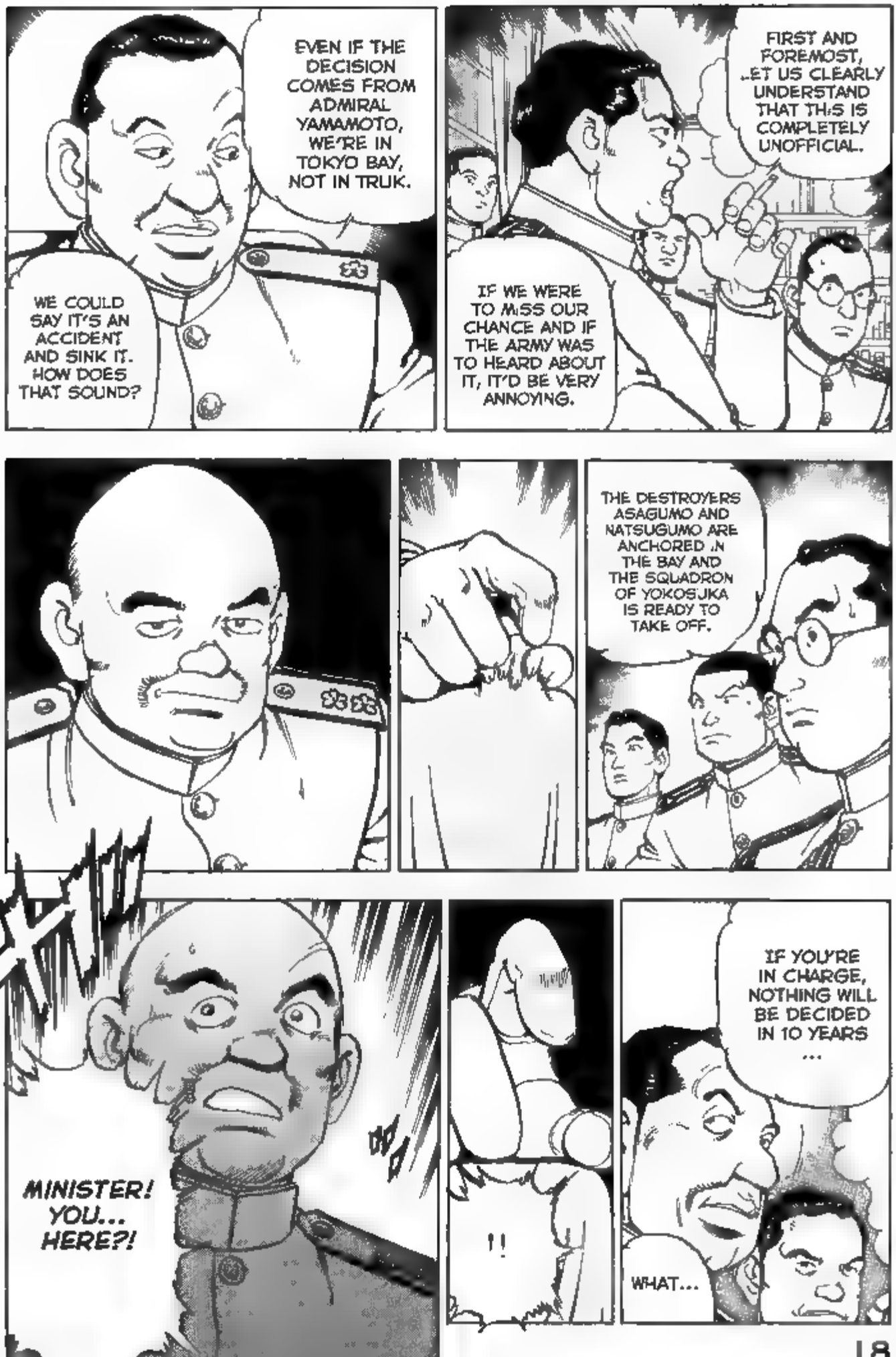
DDH 10
...CAN SINK US IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE.
IT'S NOT ONLY ON THE ISLAND, THERE IS ALSO BATTERIES ON THE SECOND AND THIRD MARINE LINE OF THE BAY
IF THAT'S WHAT IT WANTS, THE EMPIRE OF JAPAN...
DDH 102
SEND A TELEGRAM TO YOKOSUKA HEADQUARTERS.
YES, AGREED ...
CAPTAIN... I'M WONDERING IF WE'D BETTER TAKE SOME PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES...
SARUJIMA AT SIGHT, 8500M ON THE BOW!!
GET READY THE MOORINGS!!

WHAT?!
IMPERIAL NAVY YOKOSUKA'S HEADQUARTERS


WE'D LIKE TO HOLD A MEETING ON BOARD WITH SOMEONE ABLE TO TAKE DECISIONS.
WE'D LIKE TO OPEN NEGOTIATIONS REGARDING THE FUTURE OF OUR SHIP.

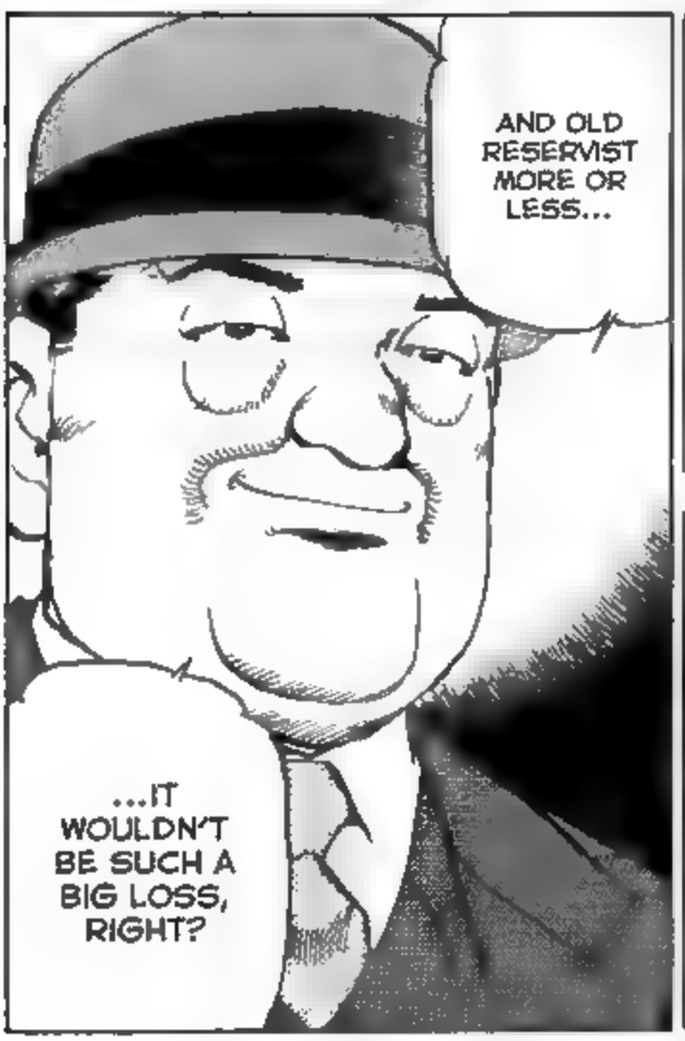
TO THE COMMANDER OF THE YOKOSUKA HEADQUARTERS. SABURO UMEZU, CAPTAIN, COMMANDING OFFICER OF THE MIRAI.
IF THERE IS NO NEGOTIATOR SENT, WE'LL CONSIDER THAT WE HAVE THE CLEARANCE TO ENTER THE WATERS OF TOKYO BAY AND HENCE OF URAGA.

トン トン トン
COMMAND OF THE ARMED FORCES.
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF THE ARMED FORCES.
REAR ADMIRAL TAKAZUMI OKA.
I GUESS THEY'RE PLAYING THE RIGHT GAME.
AND WHO COULD THAT BE?
SOMEONE ABLE TO TAKE DECISIONS ...
THE QUESTION IS WHO'S GOING? OR IN OTHER WORDS, WHO'S GOING TO PLAY HOSTAGE?
WHAT ABOUT SENDING A RECON PATROL? WITH SOME LUCK, THE POWER OF OUR ARMED FORCES...
TAC...
...TAC
TAC...

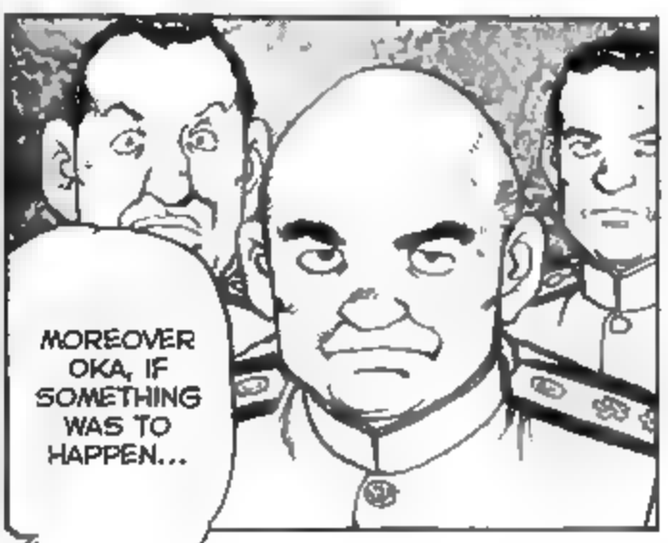

EVEN IF THE DECISION COMES FROM ADMIRAL YAMAMOTO, WE'RE IN TOKYO BAY, NOT IN TRUK.
WE COULD SAY IT'S AN ACCIDENT AND SINK IT. HOW DOES THAT SOUND?
FIRST AND FOREMOST, LET US CLEARLY UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS COMPLETELY UNOFFICIAL.
IF WE WERE TO MISS OUR CHANCE AND IF THE ARMY WAS TO HEARD ABOUT IT, IT'D BE VERY ANNOYING.
THE DESTROYERS ASAGUMO AND NATSUGUMO ARE ANCHORED IN THE BAY AND THE SQUADRON OF YOKOSUKA IS READY TO TAKE OFF.
!!
IF YOU'RE IN CHARGE, NOTHING WILL BE DECIDED IN 10 YEARS ...
WHAT...
MINISTER! YOU... HERE?!

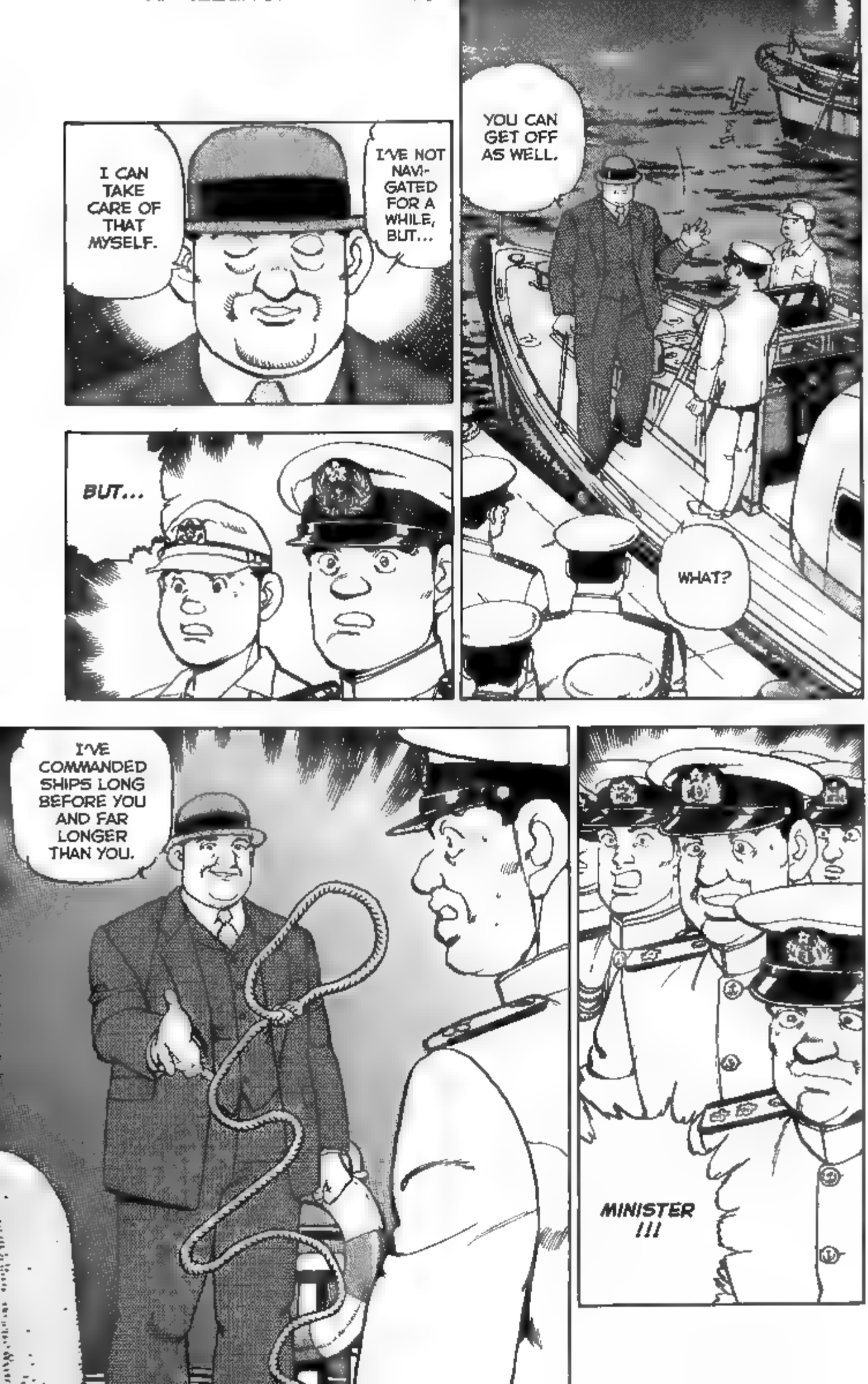
I'LL GO.
ME...

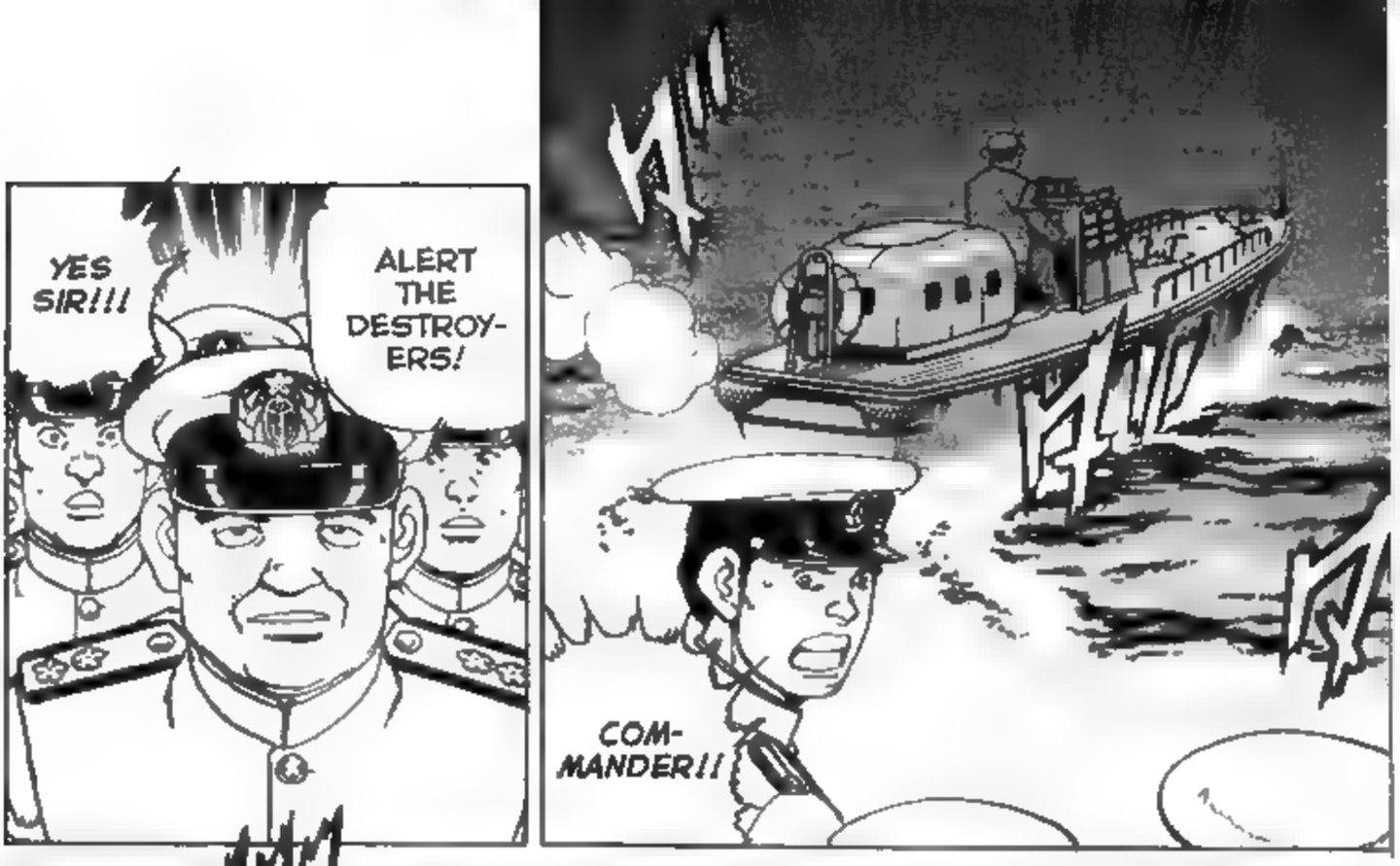
WE DON'T KNOW WHO THEY ARE.
MINISTER YONAI, PLEASE WAIT! IT'S DANGEROUS!


AND OLD RESERVIST MORE OR LESS...
...IT WOULDN'T BE SUCH A BIG LOSS, RIGHT?

SURELY, BUT WE KNOW THEY'RE JAPANESE AS WELL.


MOREOVER OKA, IF SOMETHING WAS TO HAPPEN...


I CAN TAKE CARE OF THAT MYSELF.
I'VE NOT NAVI-GATED FOR A WHILE, BUT...
YOU CAN GET OFF AS WELL.
BUT...
WHAT?
I'VE COMMANDED SHIPS LONG BEFORE YOU AND FAR LONGER THAN YOU.
MINISTER !!!



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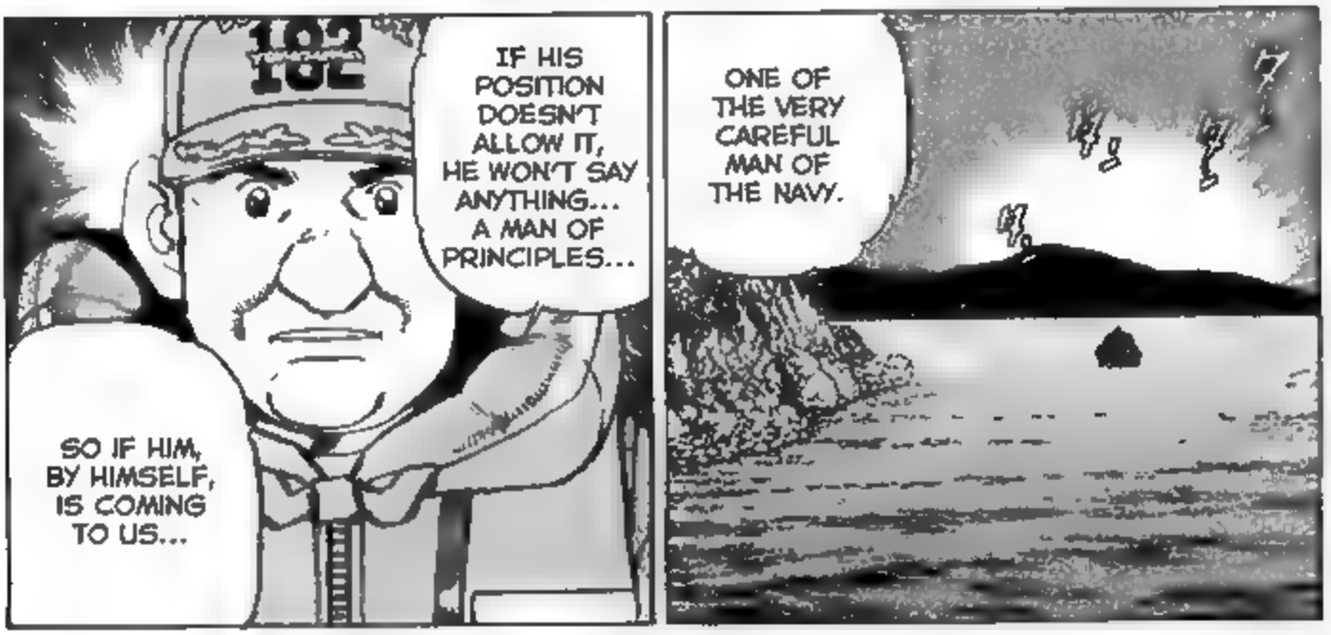
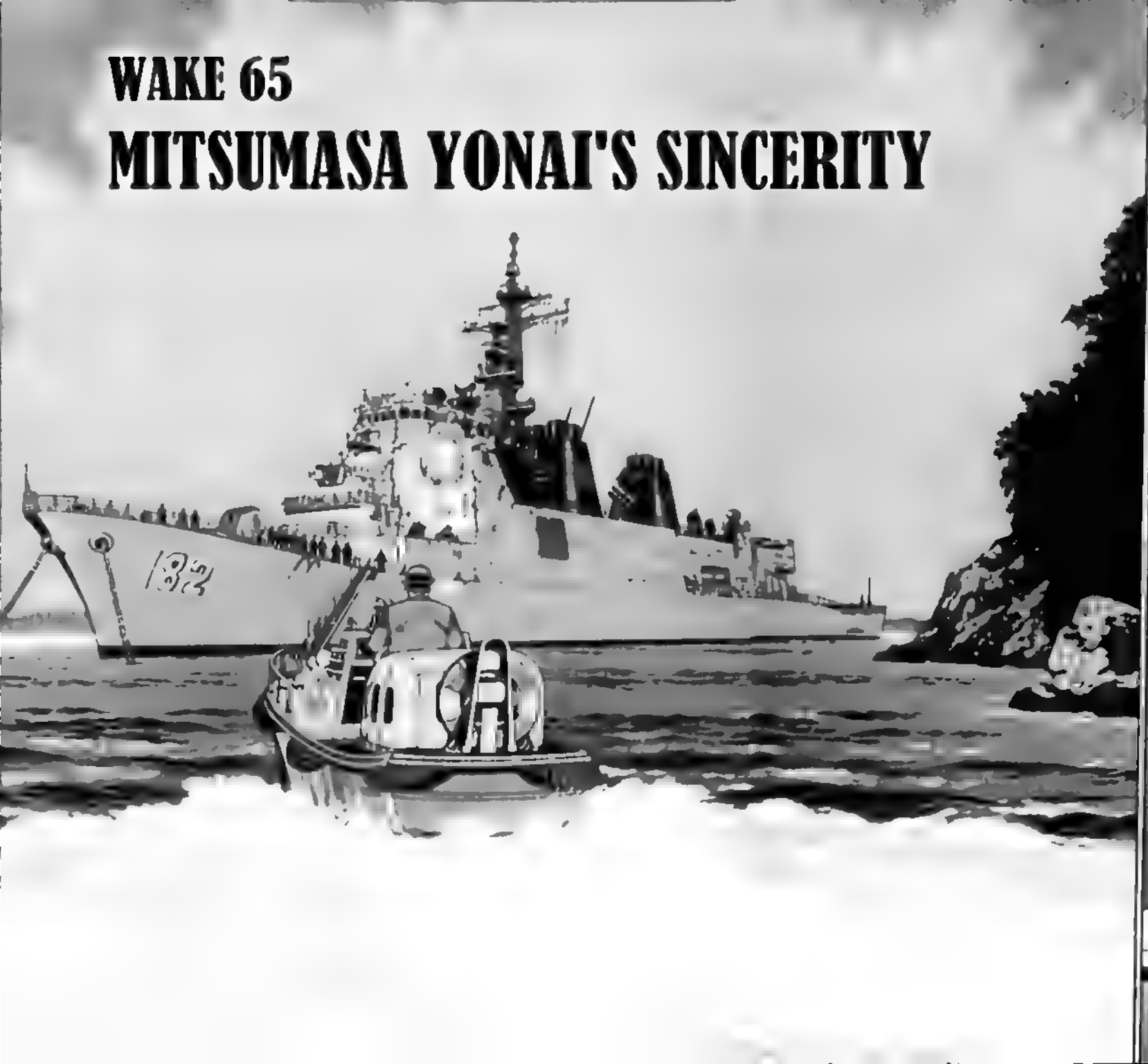
A FORMER PRIME MINISTER, MARINE MINISTER AND RIGHT NOW A RESERVIST AS WELL AS AN ADMIRAL...
I DIDN'T EXPECT THAT... MITSUMASA YONAI...

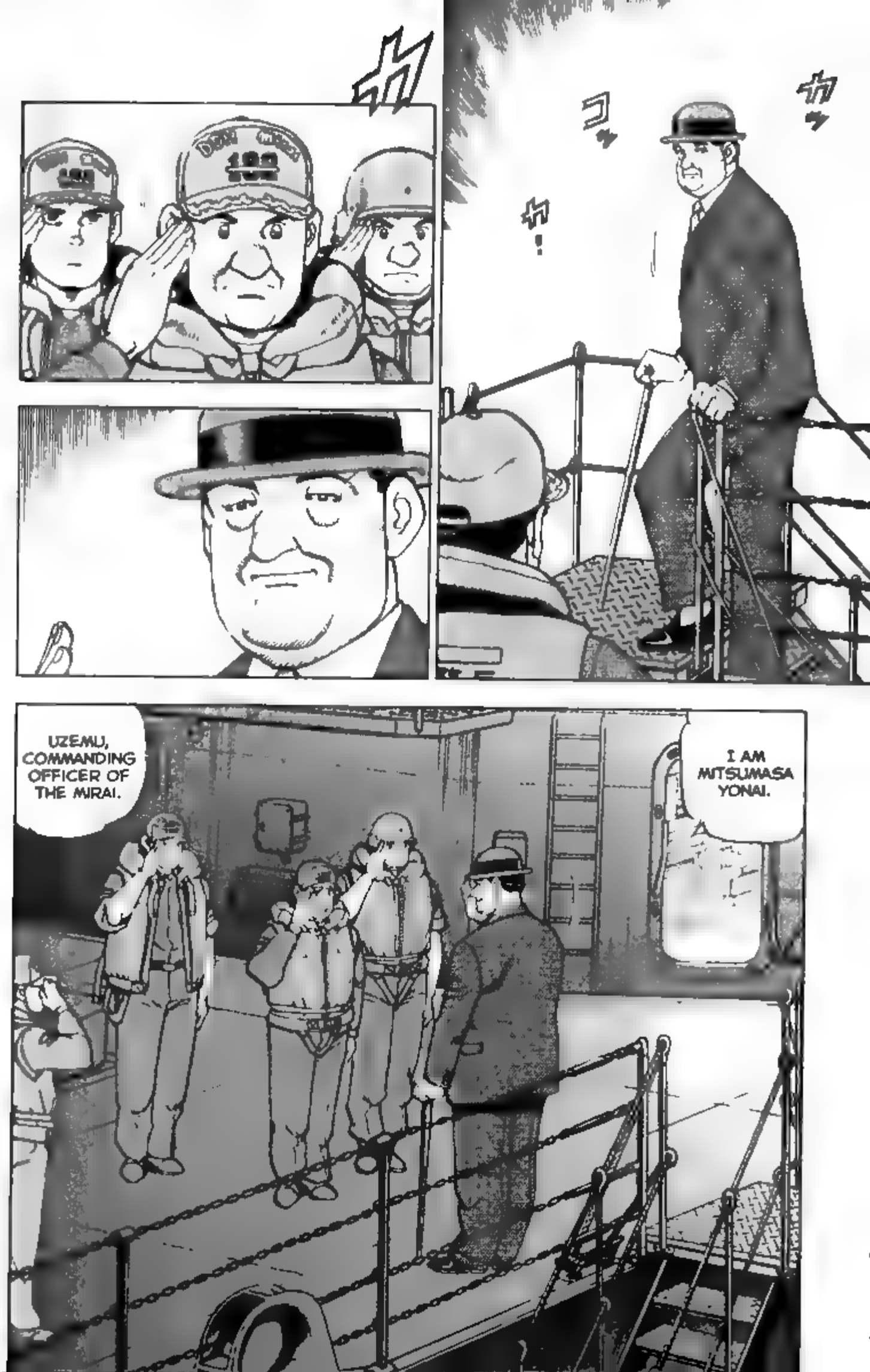

IF HIS POSITION DOESN'T ALLOW IT, HE WON'T SAY ANYTHING... A MAN OF PRINCIPLES...
SO IF HIM, BY HIMSELF, IS COMING TO US...
ONE OF THE VERY CAREFUL MAN OF THE NAVY.

YOKOSUKA
THAT HIS CARRYING SOME KIND OF MESSAGE HE WON'T DIVULGE PUBLICLY.
IT MIGHT BE THE SIGN...

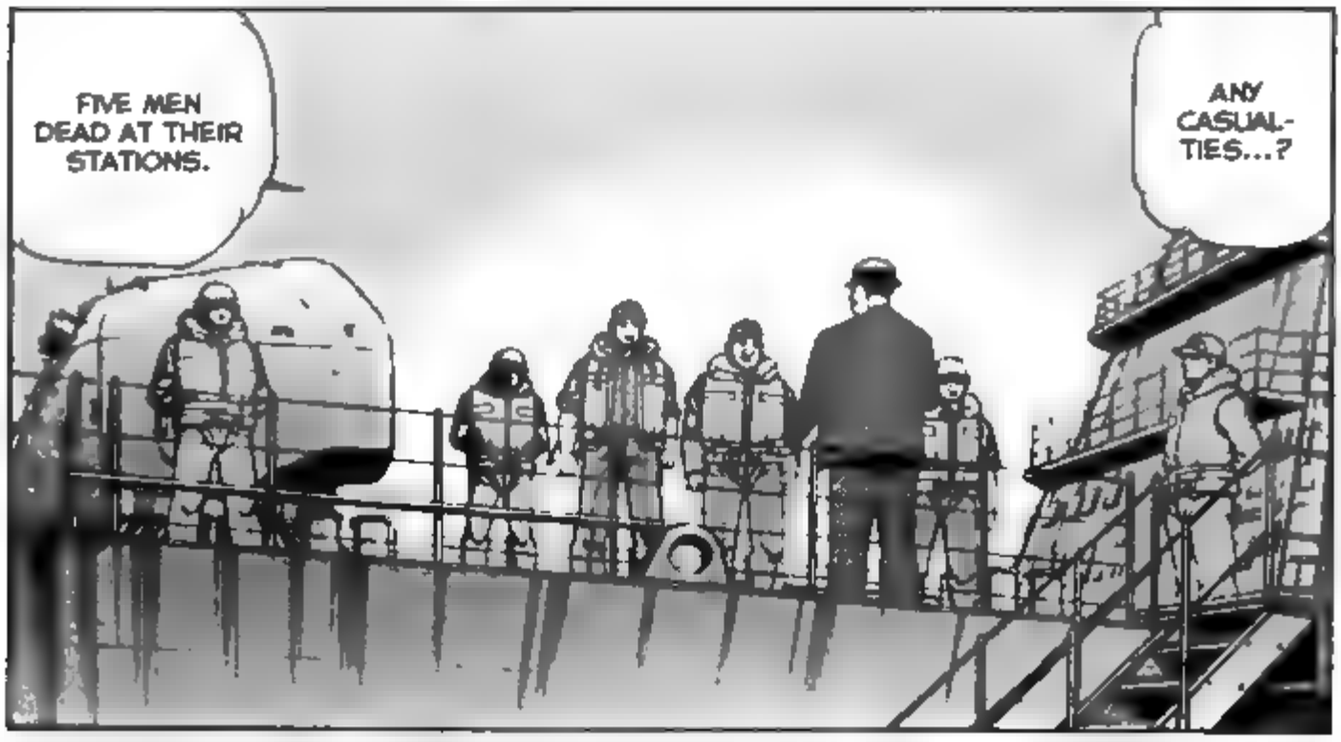
WAKE 65

MITSUMASA YONAI'S SINCERITY



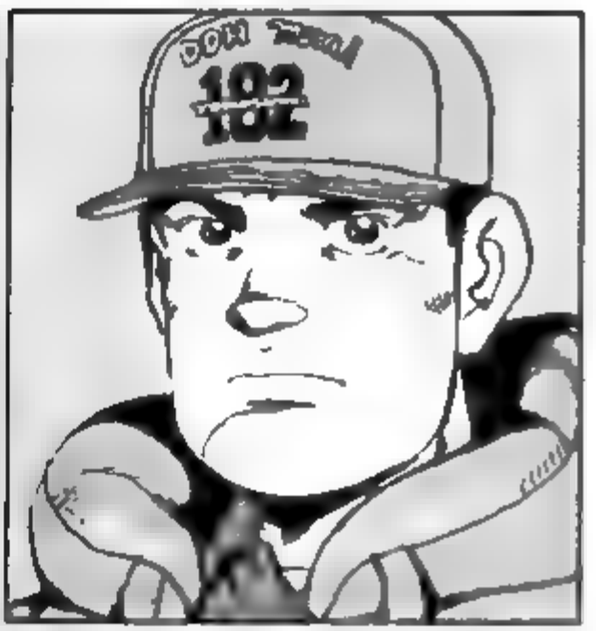

UZEMU, COMMANDING OFFICER OF THE MIRAI.
I AM MITSUMASA YONAI.

THANK YOU.
A LITTLE BIT...
YOU SHOULD BE TIRED AFTER THIS LONG JOURNEY.
AN ELEGANT SUIT, POLISHED SHOES..
UNUSUAL FOR A MILITARY MAN...
YES... WE FACED AN ATTACK OFF SAIPAN...
YOUR SHIP SEEMS PRETTY DAMAGED...
HUM...
ABOUT FORTY PLANES FROM THE U.S. AIR FORCE.


FIVE MEN DEAD AT THEIR STATIONS.
ANY CASUAL-TIES...?

SORRY?

I'D LIKE TO OFFER MY CONDO-LENCES...
IF THAT IS POS-SIBLE...



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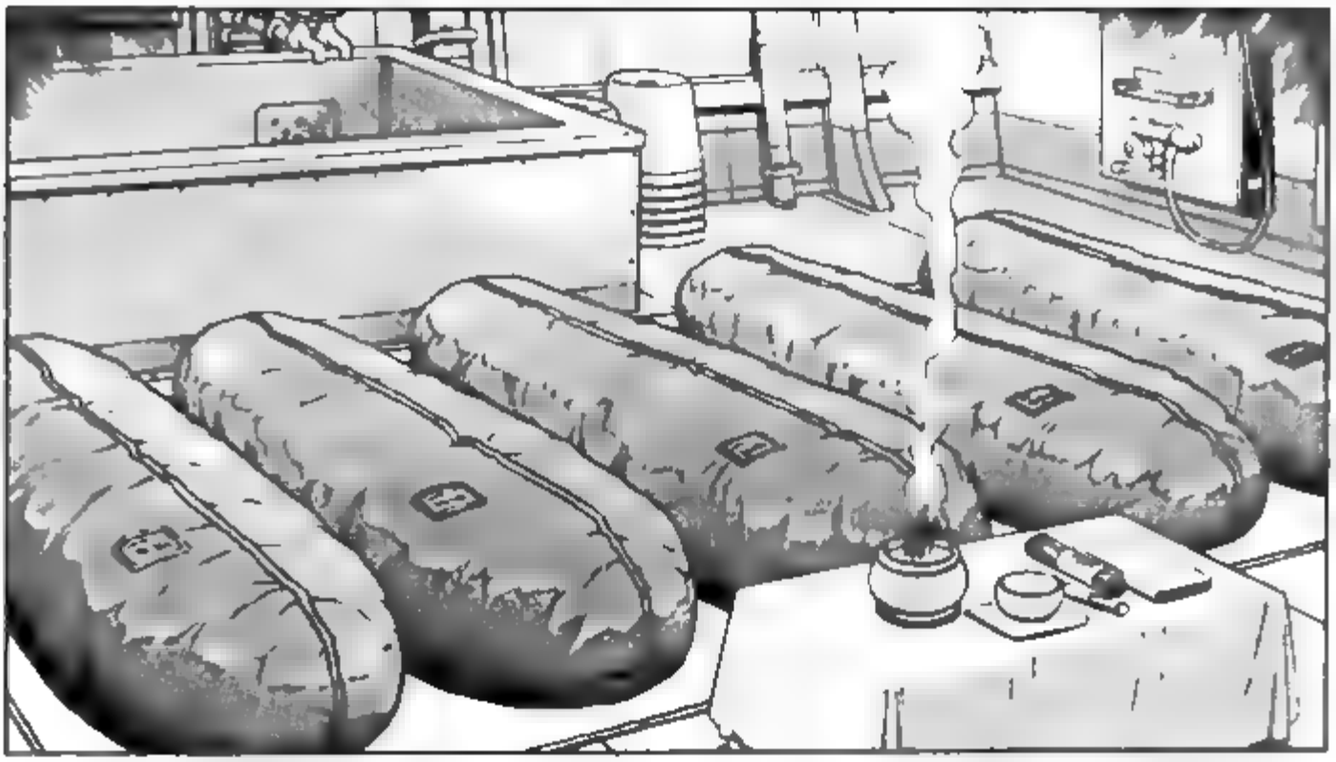
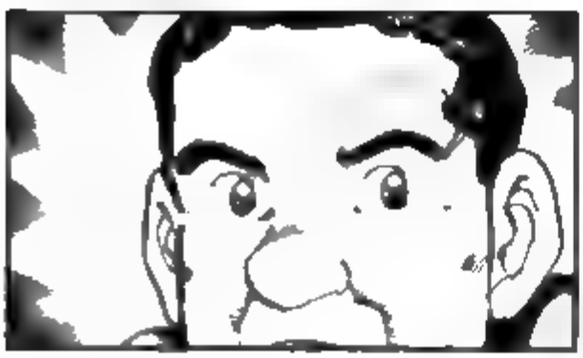
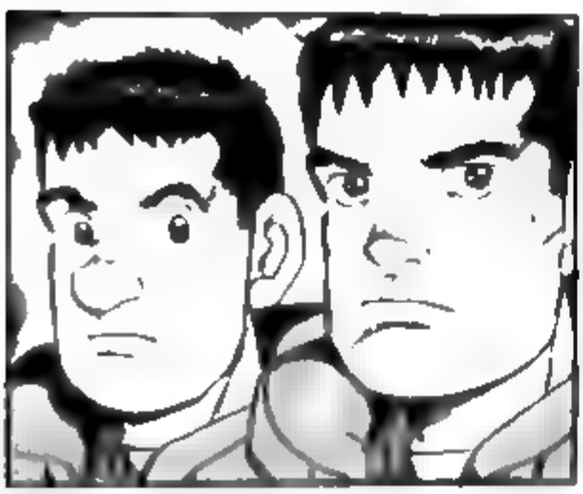






IF THEY COULD REST IN THE GROUND OF YOKOSUKA...
A SEA FUNERAL WOULD BE OK, BUT...

THIS WELL BUILT FRAME, THOSE ALMOND-SHAPED EYES WORTHY OF AN ACTOR...
AND THIS ACCENT FROM THE AREA OF IWATE...
YANAGI...
HE HAS THE FRAME OF A SUMO WRESTLER, IS THIS THE REAL YONAI?
HOW COME SUCH AN IMPORTANT PEOPLE IS HERE, ALONE?
NO DOUBT ABOUT IT, THIS IS REALLY ADMIRAL YONAI WHO SETTLED THE END OF THE WAR AND LEAD THE JAPANESE NAVY.
SUCH EXCITEMENT.
I HOPE YOU'RE RIGHT, BUT...
OBEYING TO YAMAMOTO'S WILL, HE CAME TO WELCOME THE MIRAI...
THE CHARISMA OF ADMIRAL YONAI IS VERY SIMILAR TO YAMAMOTO'S ... AS IF THEY WERE BROTHERS.
THE HEAD OF THE LEFT WING IN THE NAVY.

BASICALLY, THAT'S WHAT WE ARE ASKING FOR.
SUPPLY, REPAIR... AND LANDING OF THE CREW.
A FORMAL COMMITMENT ALLOWING US TO EXIST.
IF WE ASKED FOR YOUR PRESENCE HERE, THIS IS BECAUSE WE WANT...
TO US, YOUR JAPAN IS A FOREIGN COUNTRY.
WE WANT SECURITY GUARANTEES FROM THE NAVY.

AS MEASURES OF SELF-DEFENSE, WE WOULD BE FORCED TO ANSWER BACK.
IF OUR SHIP WAS TO BE ATTACKED...
BUT, WE WANT TO AVOID ANY UNNECESSARY CONFRONTATION ... DO YOU UNDERSTAND?
SORRY?
WELL... TELL ME...
WHAT WILL YOU DO FROM NOW ON?
YES, PERFECTLY.
WE'LL ARRANGE FOR IT.

IN TEN YEARS, NO, IN FIFTY YEARS...
YOUR FUTURE IS LONGER THAN MINE...
WE HAVE TO SURVIVE UNTIL OUR RETURN IS POSSIBLE.
OUR GOAL IS TO GO BACK TO THE 21ST CENTURY. FOR NOW, WE DON'T HAVE ANY CLUE HOW TO BUT...
...AS JAPANESE MEN FROM THE 21ST CENTURY.

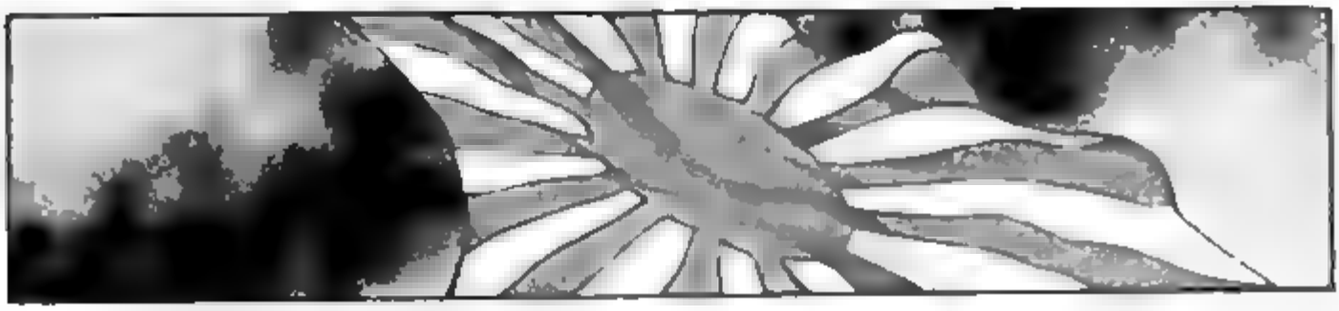
SOON, A TERRIBLE BATTLE WILL HAPPEN IN THE SALOMON ISLANDS, A BATTLE THAT WILL MAKE LOTS OF CASUALTIES.
I THINK YOU ALREADY KNOW THAT WE MET ADMIRAL YAMAMOTO IN TRUK.

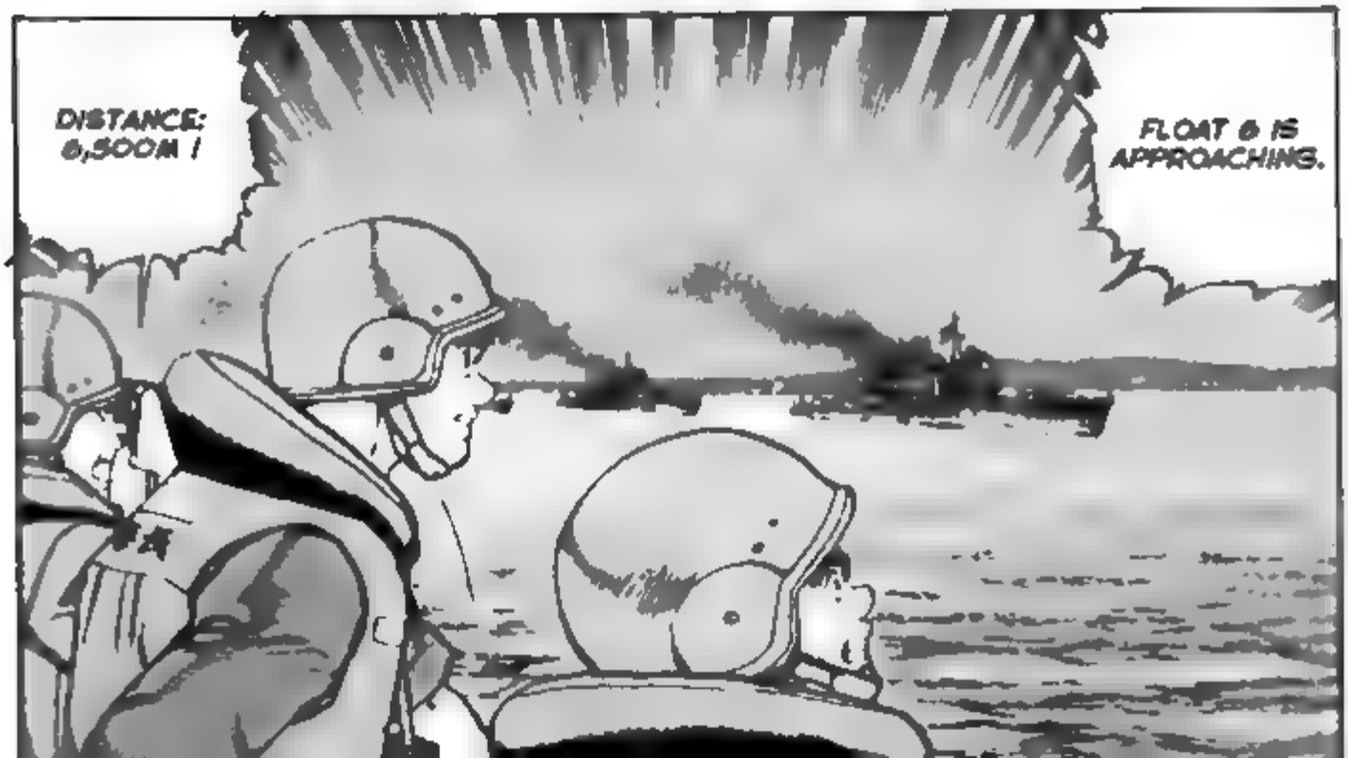
EVEN IF THIS COULD AFFECT WHAT HAVE HAPPENED IN THE HISTORY...

IF WE COULD SAVE THOSE PEOPLE BY AVOIDING THE BATTLE, WE'RE TH.NKING OF A COL..ABORATION AS JAPANESE PEOPLE..

HOW?
IT WAS TOO SOON FOR JAPAN TO BECOME AN IMPERIALIST POWER...
I ALWAYS THOUGHT SO.
YAMAMOTO... OR RATHER...
AS WELL AS GENERAL ISHIWARA... THEY'RE CREATING PROBLEMS.
THIS YOUNG OFFICER, KUSAKA, AND THOSE INSOLENT PEOPLE FROM THE ARMY...

I'M ALSO A NAVY MAN.
I DO UNDERSTAND THE LOVE YOU HAVE FOR YOUR SHIP BUT...
...IN THE DOCKS OF YOKOSUKA.
I'D LIKE YOUR SHIP TO END AS SCRAP...



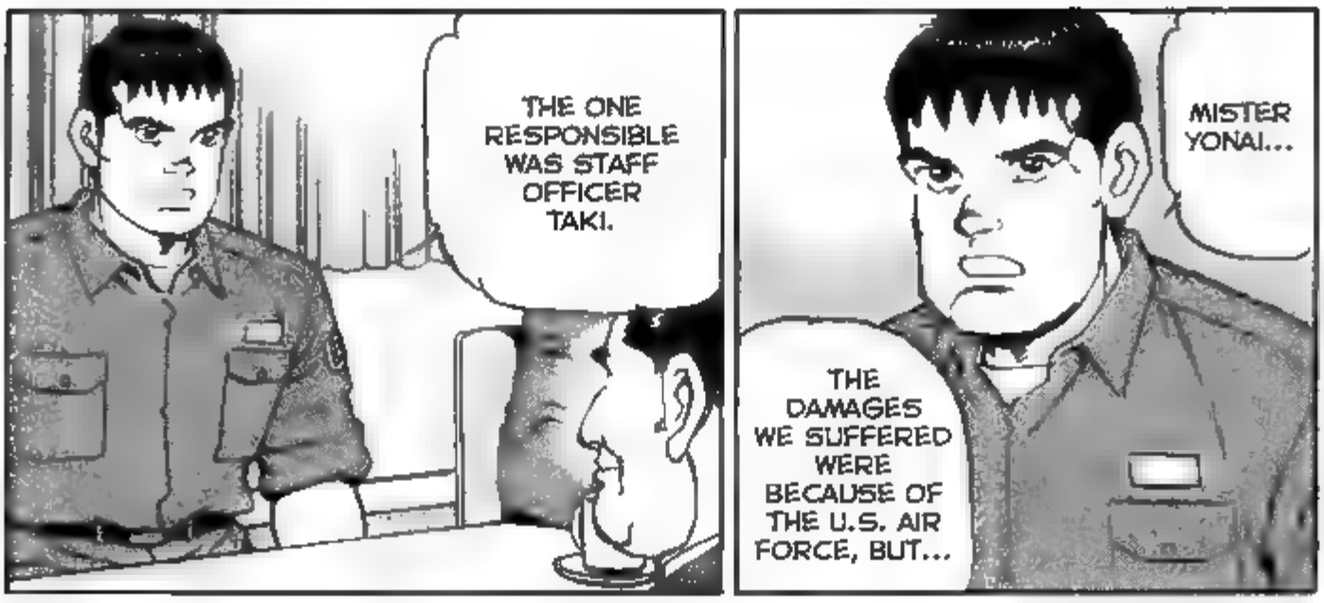

DISTANCE: 6,500M !
FLOAT 6 IS APPROACHING.

THE WELCOMING COMMITTEE!
THE KISARAZU AND FUTSUTSU ARE APPROACHING AS WELL
MANY SHIPS AT SIGHT!
ALL THE FLOAT STATIONED IN THE BAY STARTED TO MOVE AT THE SAME TIME!!
THEY'RE GETTING READY FOR AN ENCIRCLEMENT.
THEY TOOK SOME TIME, BUT AT LAST THEY'RE CONSIDERING US AS A WARSHIP...
WE'LL BE ABLE TO KNOW WHAT'S THE REAL SECURITY SYSTEM OF THE BAY!!

YOU DON'T NEED TO WORRY, THIS IS NOTHING MORE THAN INTIMIDATION.
THEY CAN'T ATTACK.

AFTER THE WAR...

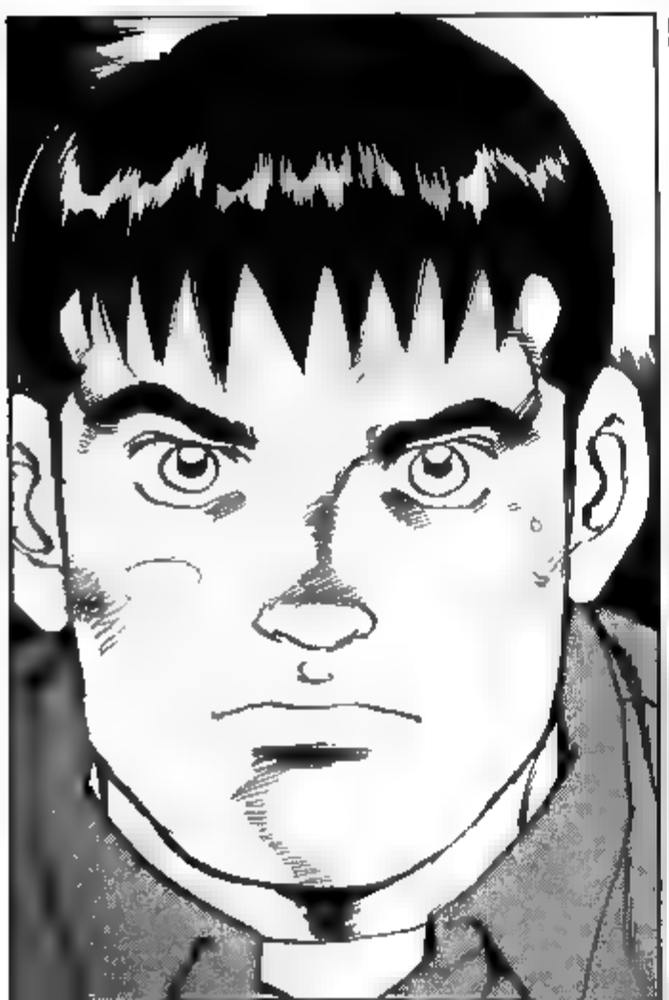
JAPANESE PEOPLE CHOSE THE RIGHT PATH TO LEAD AND ORGANIZE THE COUNTRY...
MEETING YOU MADE ME UNDERSTAND THAT... IT'S ENOUGH FOR ME.

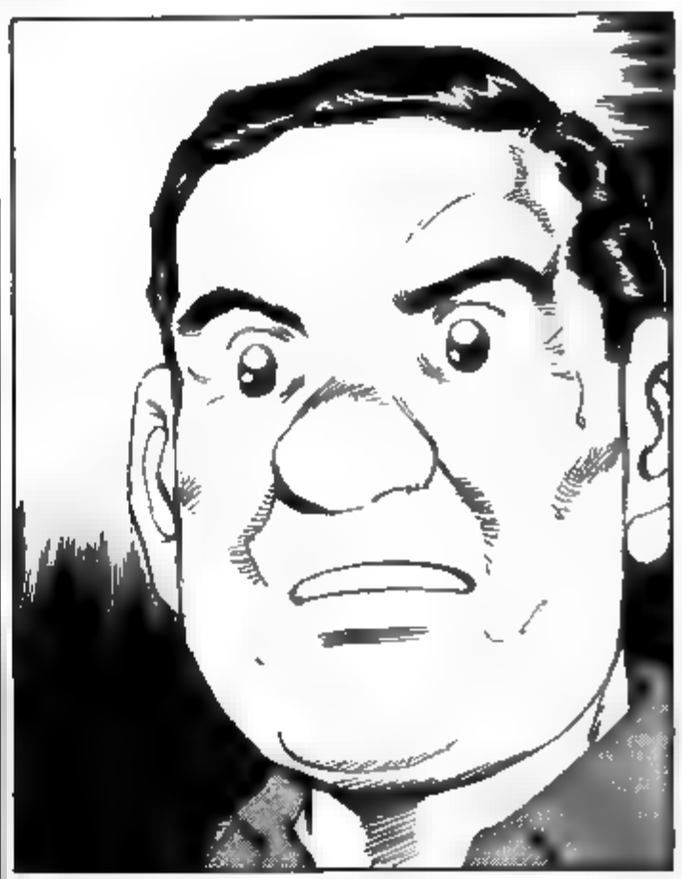

THE ONE RESPONSIBLE WAS STAFF OFFICER TAKI.
MISTER YONAI...
THE DAMAGES WE SUFFERED WERE BECAUSE OF THE U.S. AIR FORCE, BUT...

DID YOU GIVE THOSE ORDERS...
...TO HIM?
HE SAID HE WASN'T THE ONLY ONE WHO'D LIKE TO SINK THE MIRAI.

JAPAN, IN A LONG TERM PERSPECTIVE...

REGARDLESS OF THE SACRIFICES NEEDED...
...MUST ABSO-LUTELY NOT WIN THIS WAR.





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WANT TO GET FASTER
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COME AND JOIN US!
WE ARE CURRENTLY
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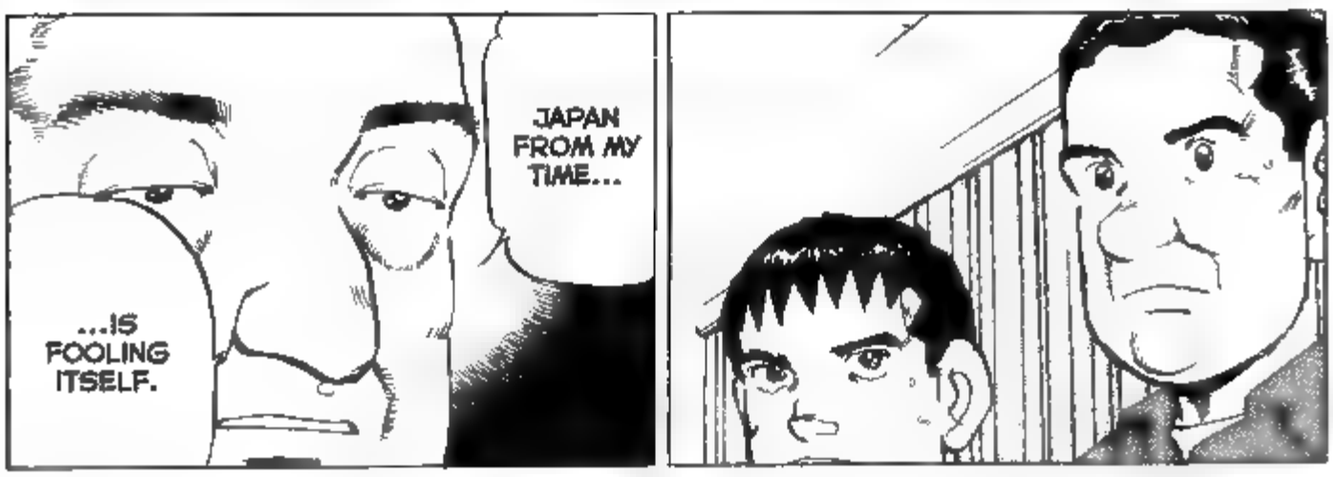
TRANSLATORS, EDITORS,
TYPESETTERS AND
CLEANERS. YOU DON'T
EVEN NEED PREVIOUS
EXPERIENCE.

WAKE 66
LANDING AT YOKOSUKA

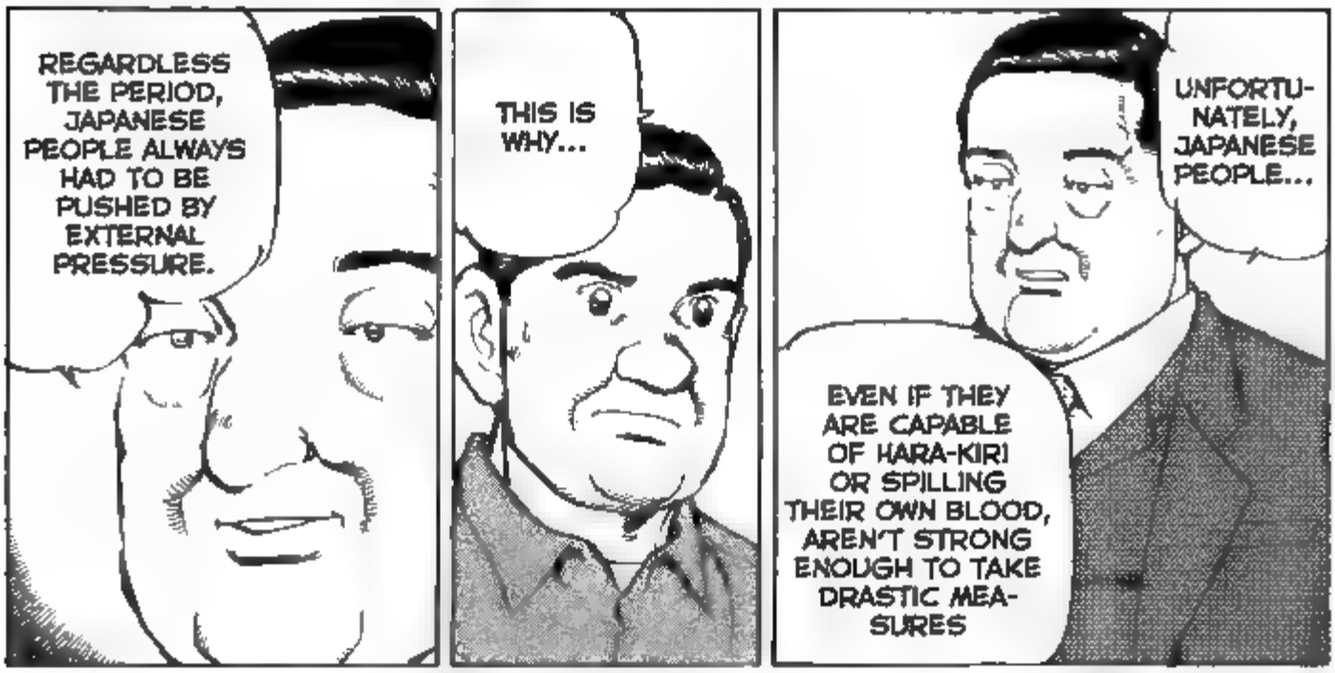
MISTER YONAI... YOU'RE PRETENDING THAT JAPAN MUST LOSE THE WAR?
IN HISTORY, THERE ARE LOTS OF COUNTRIES WHO AFTER WINNING A WAR, COMPLETELY COLLAPSED.
ON THE CONTRARY ...
THERE ARE LOTS OF LOSING COUNTRIES THAT HAVE THRIVED AFTERWARDS.

MEETING YOU IS ENOUGH TO CONVINCED ONESELF.


JAPAN FROM MY TIME...
...IS FOOLING ITSELF.

BUT IF IT KEEPS GOING ON... ONE DAY JAPAN WILL FALL.
IN ORDER TO KEEP ITS IMPERIALIST STANCE, IT IS USING THE TRENDY MILITARY AUTHORITARIANISM.

CAN ALLOW JAPAN TO WAKE ITSELF.
AND I THINK THAT ONLY THE HARSH REALITY OF A DEFEAT...


REGARDLESS THE PERIOD, JAPANESE PEOPLE ALWAYS HAD TO BE PUSHED BY EXTERNAL PRESSURE.
THIS IS WHY...
UNFORTU-NATELY, JAPANESE PEOPLE...
EVEN IF THEY ARE CAPABLE OF HARA-KIRI OR SPILLING THEIR OWN BLOOD, AREN'T STRONG ENOUGH TO TAKE DRASTIC MEA-SURES

WILL SERVE JAPAN IN A HUNDRED YEARS.
SACRIFICES FROM THIS WAR...

I HARDLY KNOW THIS CAPTAIN TAKI, BUT...
I THINK HE ACTED ARBITRARILY, BUT STILL ACCORDINGLY TO THE FEAR YOU DEVELOPED IN SENIOR OFFICIALS OF THE NAVY.
AND AS THE REPRE-SENTATIVE OF THE NAVY...
I DEEPLY APOLO-GIZE FOR THAT.

THANK YOU FOR THE EXCELLENT COFFEE.

WE'RE COUNTING ON IT.

I'M HOPING TO HAVE GOOD NEWS SOON ABOUT YOUR DEMANDS.

CAPTAIN JANEWAY, I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AGAIN.

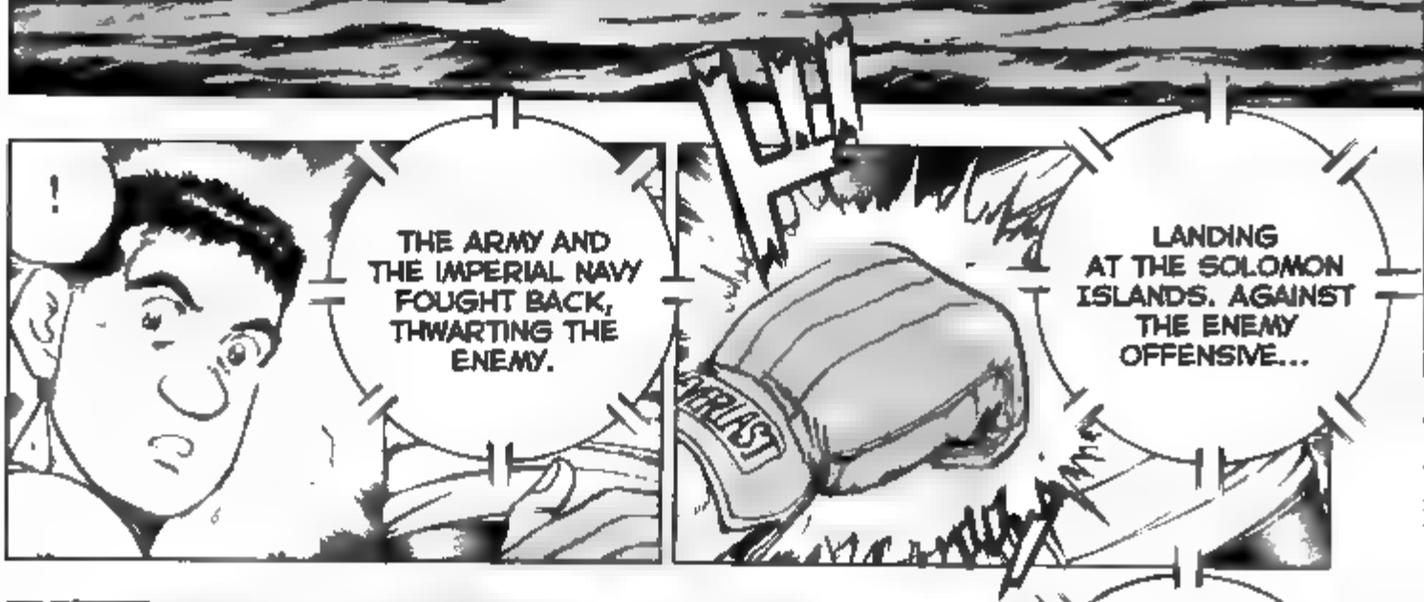
YOU SHALL NOT FORGET YOU'RE NOT FROM THIS PERIOD...
WILL REACH OVER THREE MILLIONS PEOPLE, CIVILIANS AND SOLDIERS.
MISTER YONAI, THE CASUALTIES OF THIS WAR...
I'M SIMPLY A MAN.
PERSONALLY, I'M INCAPABLE OF ABANDONING SOMEONE THREATENED RIGHT UNDER MY EYES...
AND YOU'D LIKE US TO SIMPLY LOOK AWAY...

ARE FOREVER GONE.
IT'S TRUE THAT A COUNTRY WHO'S LOST THE WAR MAY THRIVE AFTER-WARDS... BUT THE LOST LIVES...

I CAN'T TAKE A VIEWPOINT OUTSIDE THE REALITY!!
UNLIKE YOU...

MISTER KADO-NATSU
IN OUR TIME, YOU ARE THE EXACTLY THE ONES WHO ARE OUTSIDE REALITY
AT THE END OF THE WAR, IN OUR TIME..
IN THREE YEARS, THE WAR WILL BE OVER AND I'D LIKE YOU TO WAIT HERE UNTIL THEN.
YOUR KNOWLEDGE AND YOUR POWER
WILL BE MORE PRECIOUS THAN EVER, FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION

OFFICIAL MESSAGE FROM THE ARMY HEAD-QUARTER.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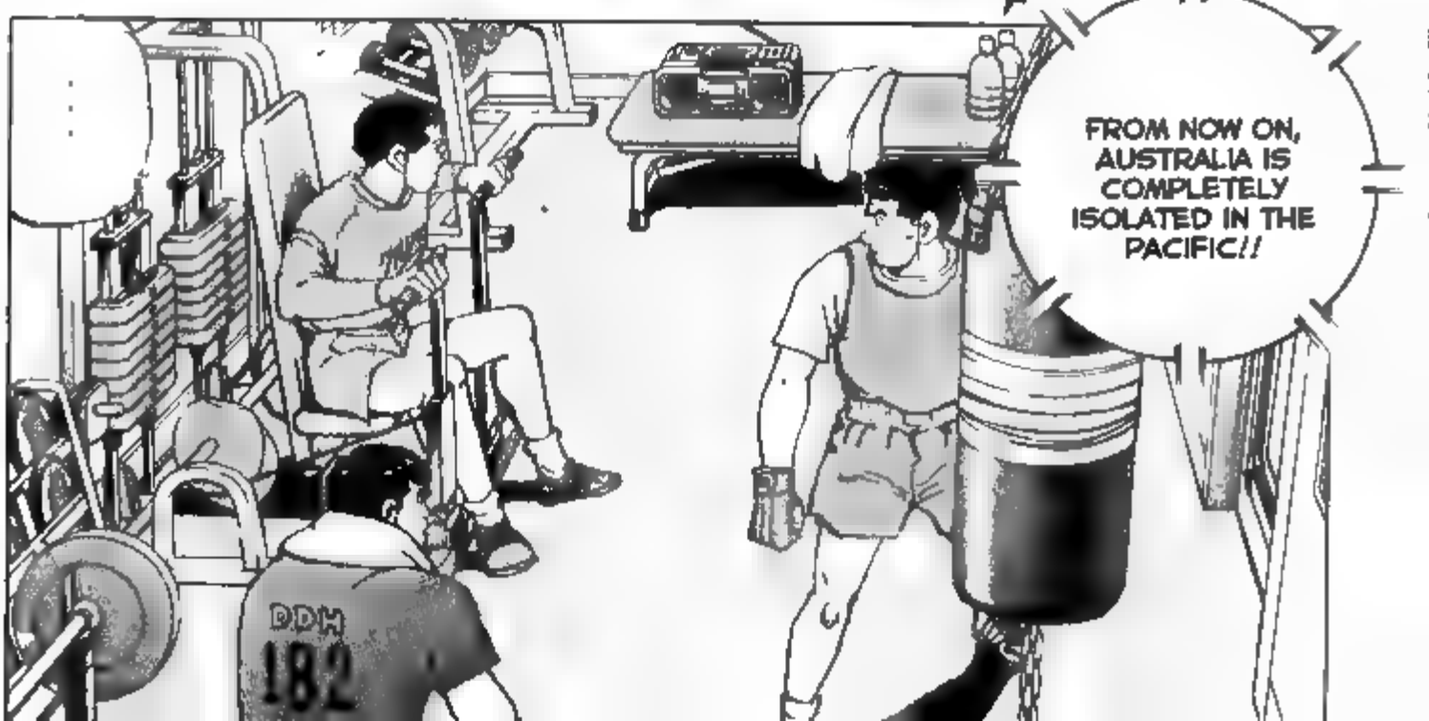
THE ARMY AND THE IMPERIAL NAVY FOUGHT BACK, THWARTING THE ENEMY.
LANDING AT THE SOLOMON ISLANDS. AGAINST THE ENEMY OFFENSIVE...


...
FROM NOW ON, AUSTRALIA IS COMPLETELY ISOLATED IN THE PACIFIC!!
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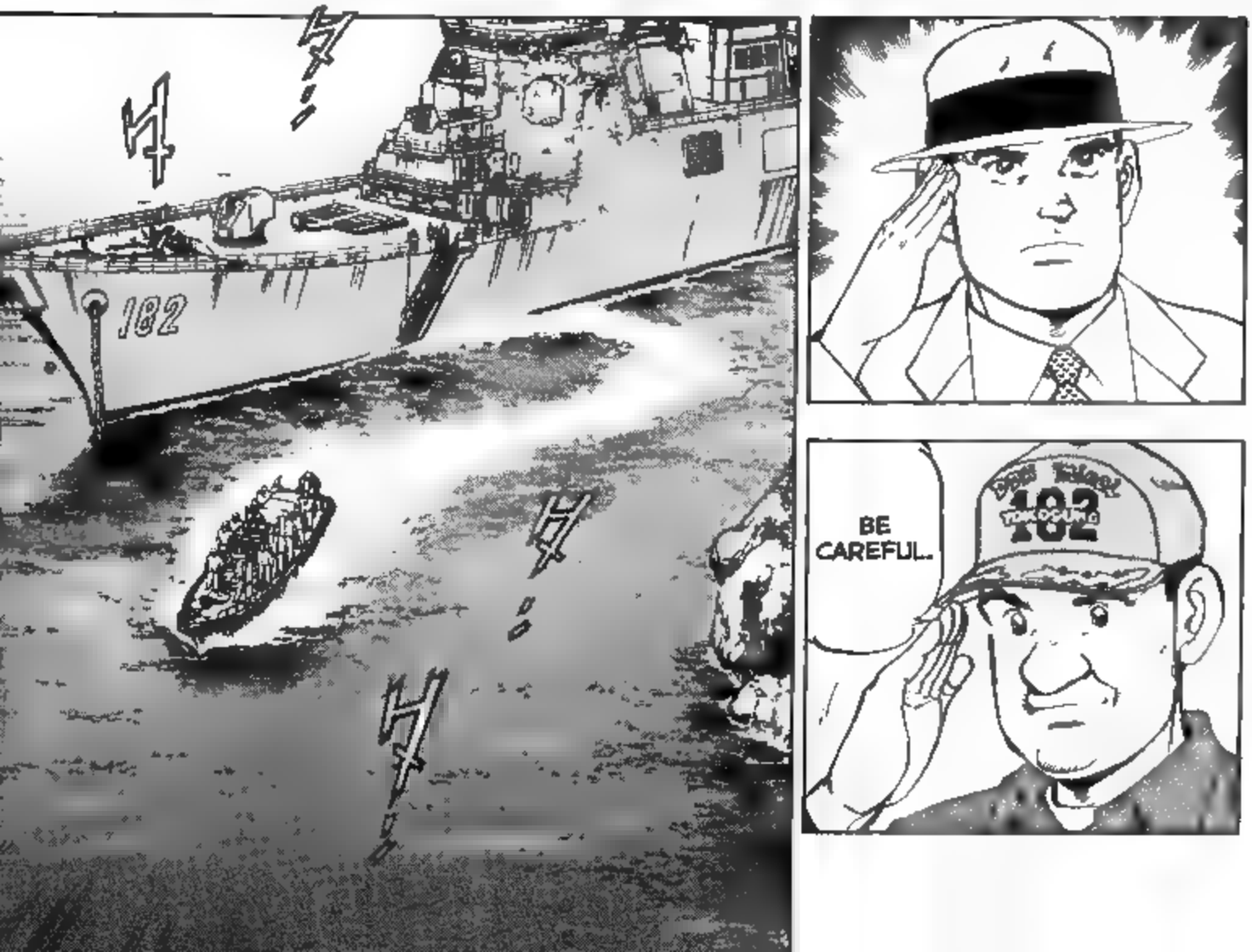
PFF... THOSE MESSAGES FROM THE HEADQUARTER...
IN OTHER WORDS, ICHIKI'S TROOPS HAVE BEEN SENT... AND DESTROYED.
WHAT THE HECK DOES THAT MEAN?! NOTHING HAS CHANGED AFTER GUADALCANAL OR WHAT?!
THEN, IN OUR HISTORY...
THE SUBMARINE I9 GO SUNK THE WASP.
WE'VE CHANGED THINGS COMPARED TO OUR HISTORY, RIGHT?!
THE SECOND NAVAL BATTLE OF THE SALOMON ISLANDS DIDN'T HAPPEN.

!!
WE'RE AUTHORIZED TO GO ON THE GROUND FOR TWO HALF-DAY, FROM TOMORROW, UNDER THE SURVEILLANCE OF THE NAVY.
CAPTAIN, WE'VE RECEIVED THE AUTHORIZATION TO LAND.

THEY'LL MONITOR US, BUT WE'RE FREE TO DO ANYTHING IN YOKOSUKA.
SO, MITSUMASA YONAI IS AS INFLUENTIAL AS ONE SAID...

IT'S KIND OF TIGHT, BUT I WON'T COMPLAIN, THEY GAVE US CLOTHES.
IT SUITS YOU WELL, YOU KNOW.
THIS IS STRANGE BUT...
I'M ALMOST FEELING ASHAMED TO BE SO CLASSY...
WEARING THE UNIFORM OF A CITIZEN...
THERE'S ONLY ME...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BE CAREFUL.
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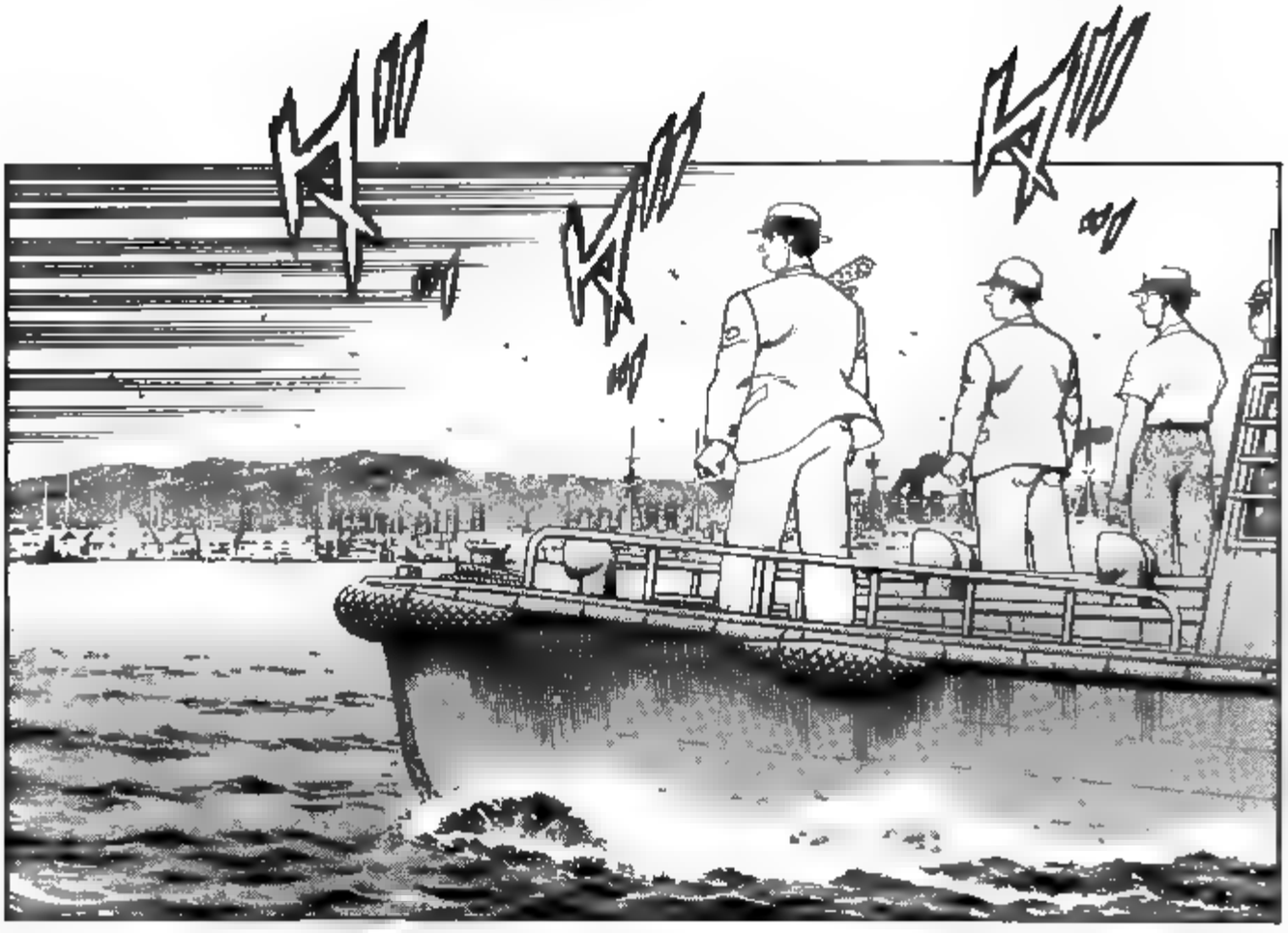

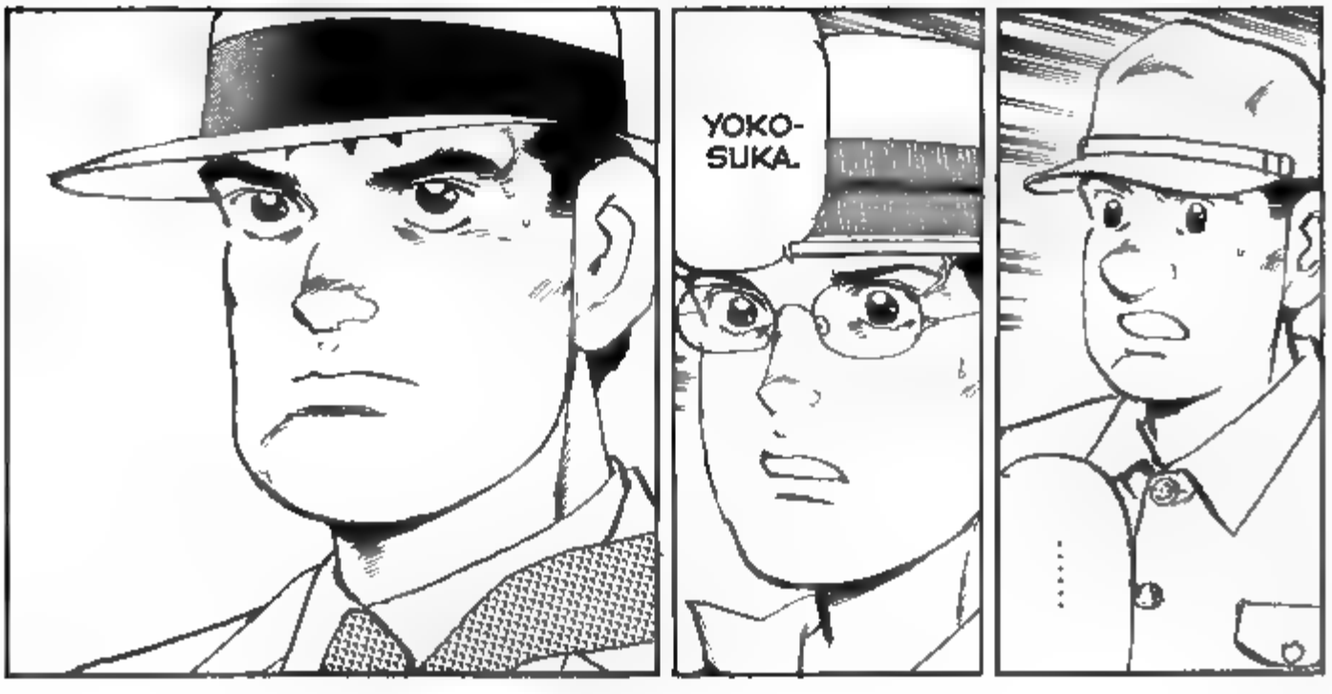
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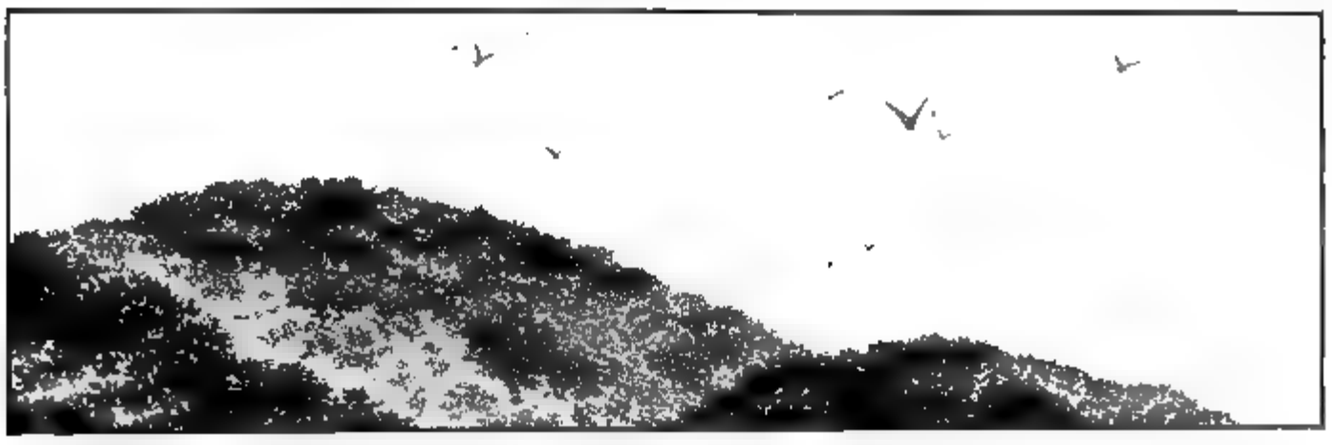
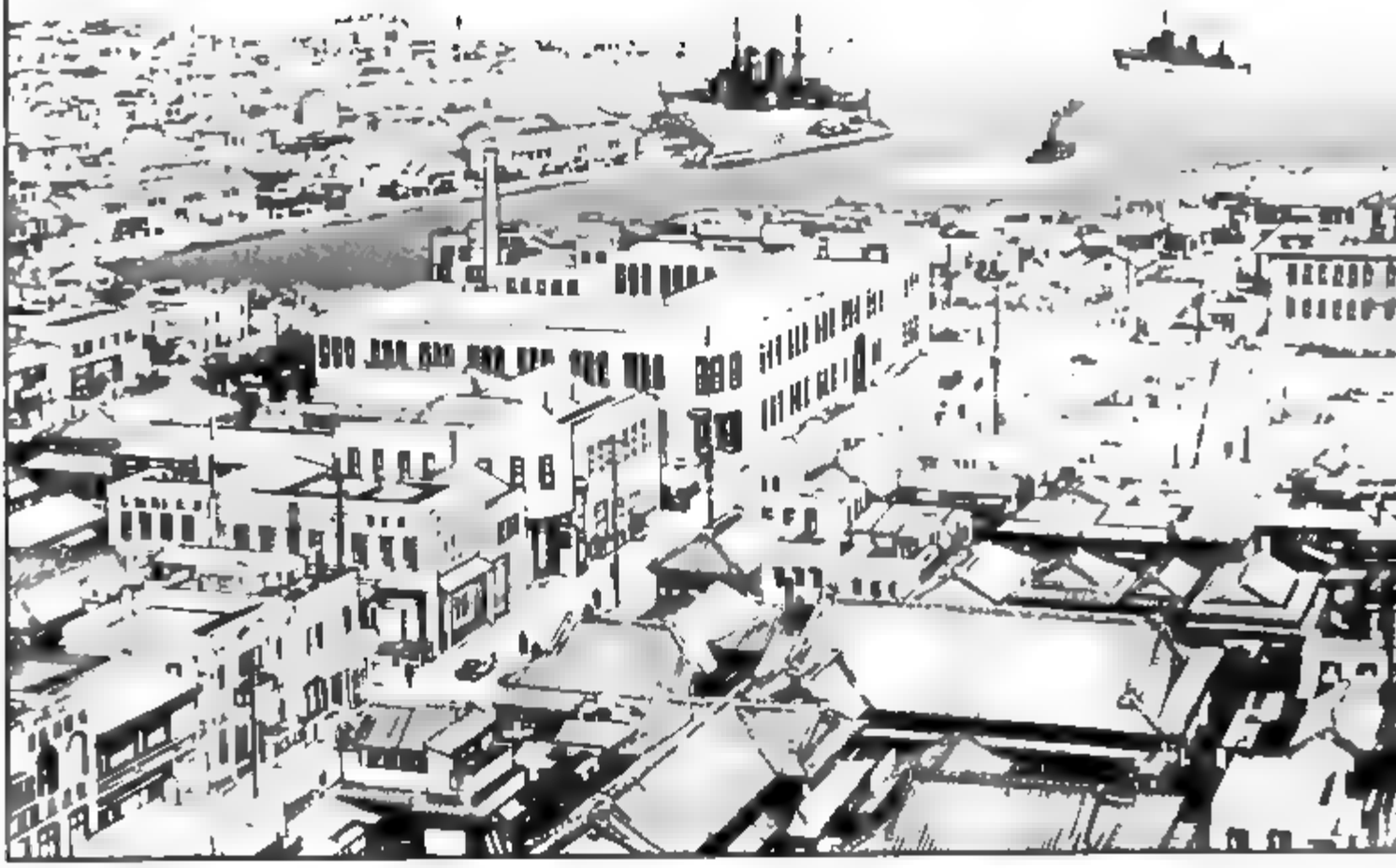
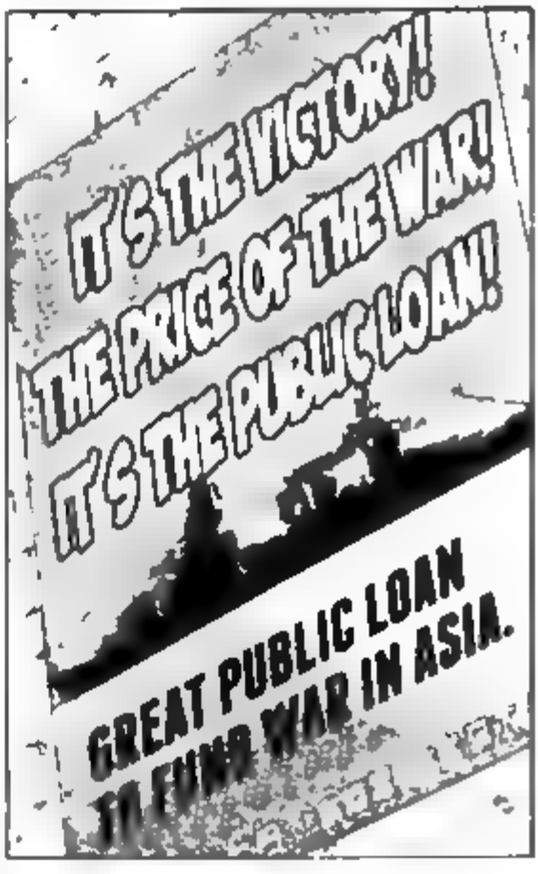
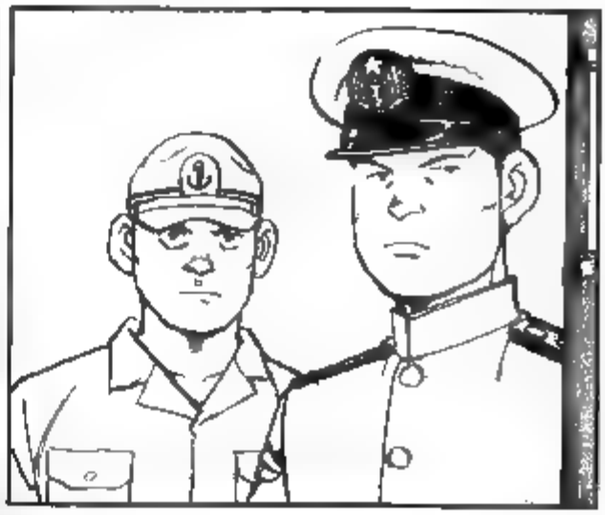
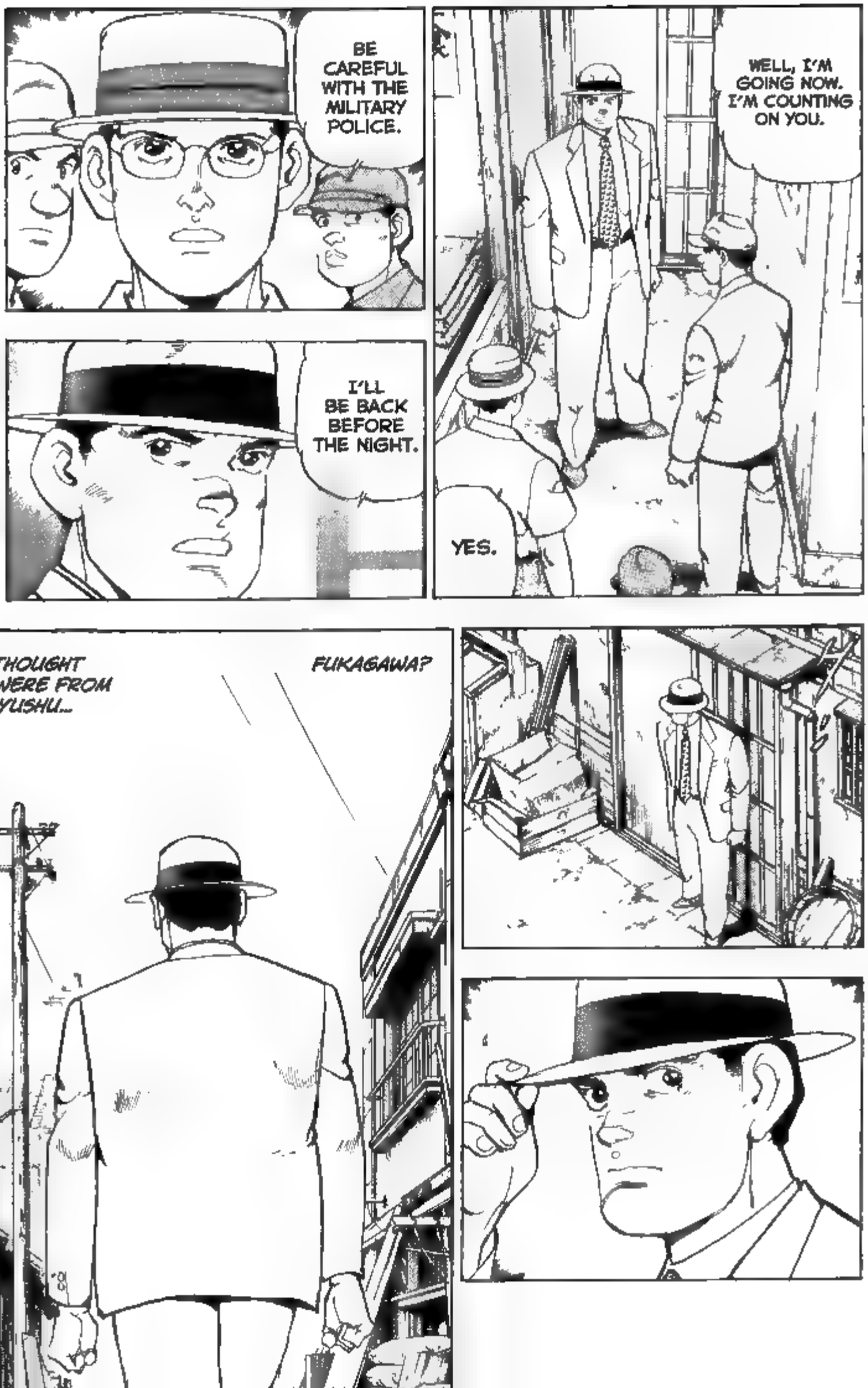




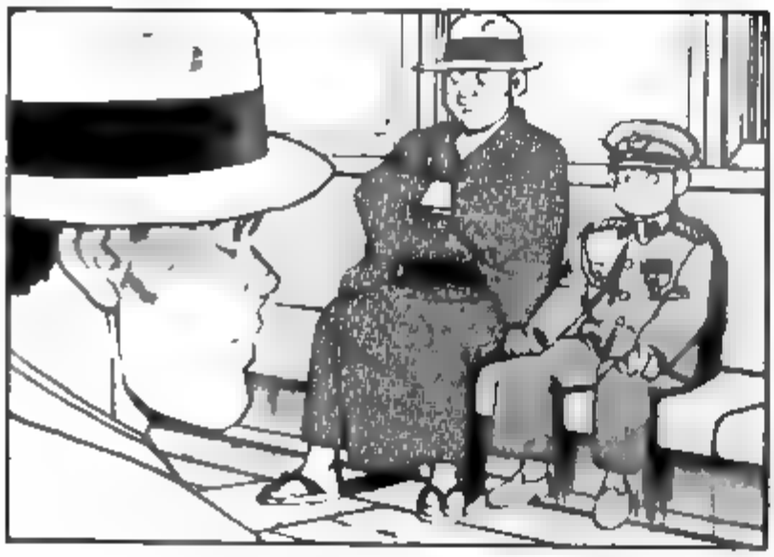

IT'S THE VICTORY!
THE PRICE OF THE WAR!
IT'S THE PUBLIC LOAN!
GREAT PUBLIC LOAN
TO FUND WAR IN ASIA.

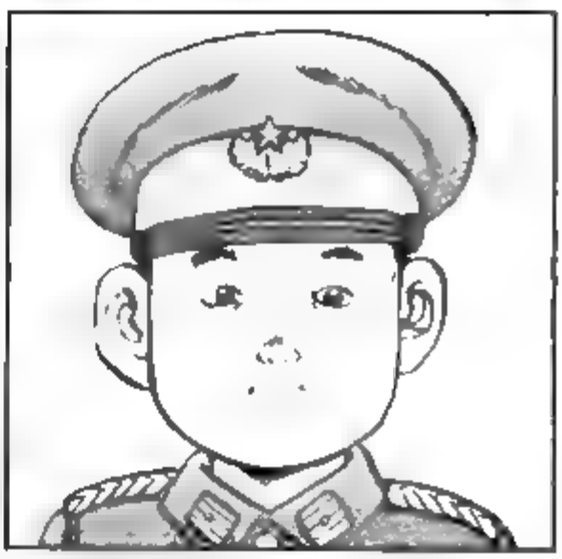
OKARA CONSIST OF THE INSOLUBLE WASTES WHEN MAKING SOYMILK AND TOFU. IT'S RICH IN FIBER AND PROTEIN. IT'S OFTEN USED TO FEED ANIMALS. GOOGLE IT FOR MORE INFORMATIONS.

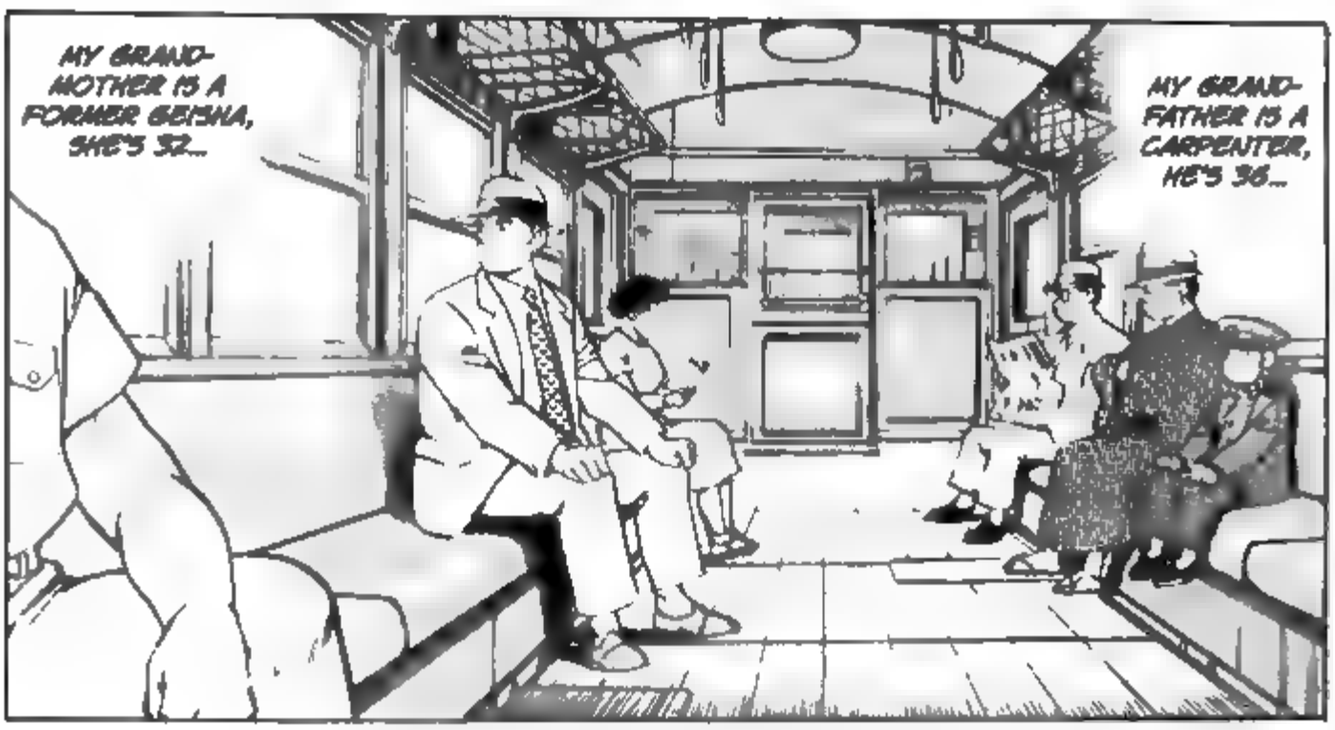


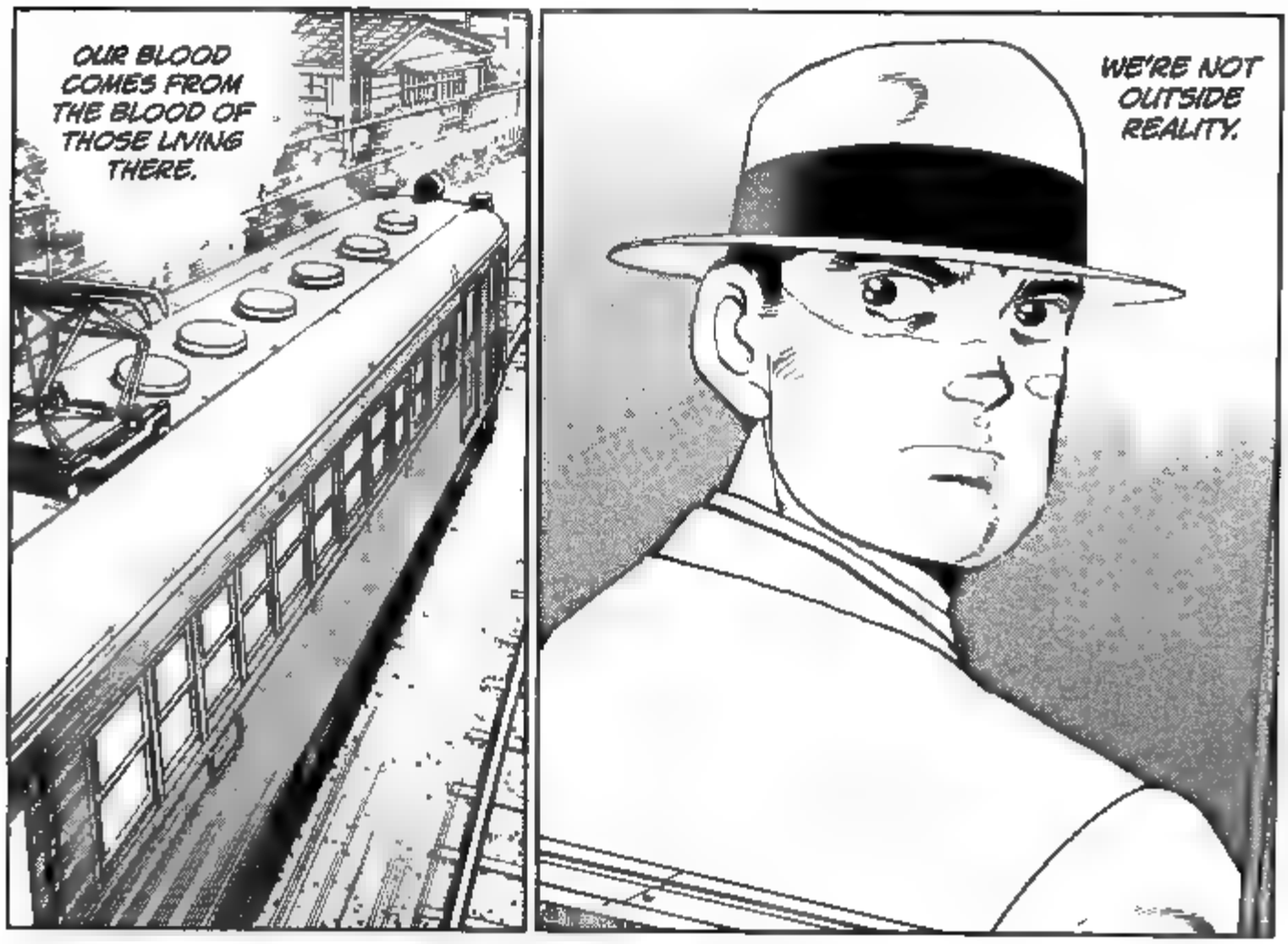

BE CAREFUL WITH THE MILITARY POLICE.
I'LL BE BACK BEFORE THE NIGHT.
WELL, I'M GOING NOW. I'M COUNTING ON YOU.
YES.
I THOUGHT YOU WERE FROM KYUSHU...
FUKAGAWA?

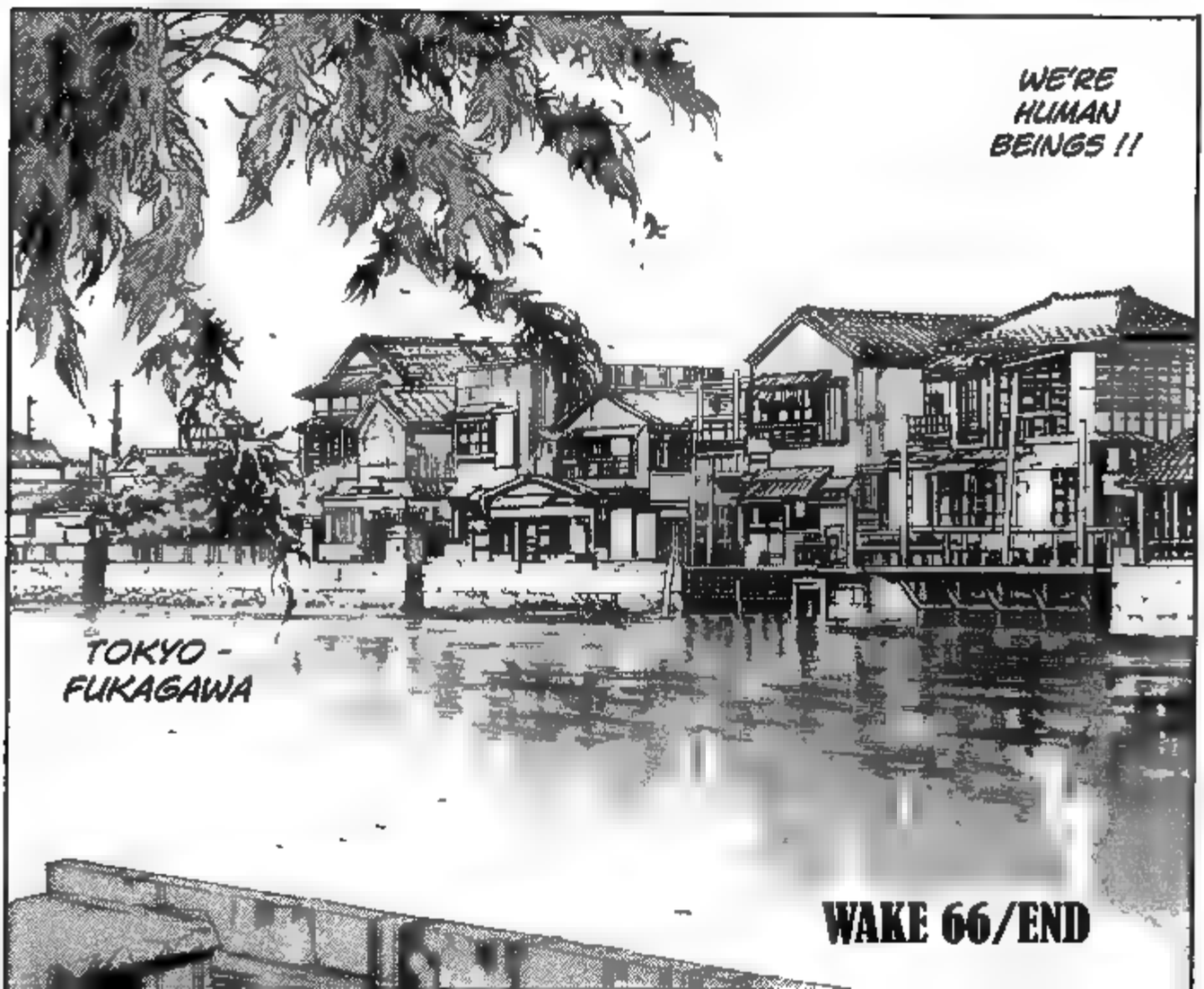
I'M FROM SASEBO, BUT MY FATHER GREW UP IN FUKAGAWA.
SO YOU WANT TO MEET HIM...
IN THIS PERIOD, HE SHOULD BE AROUND 8 YEARS OLD.
WHERE WE ARE AND WHO WE ARE.
I NEED TO SEE HIM TO CHECK...






MY GRAND-MOTHER IS A FORMER GEISHA, SHE'S 32...
MY GRAND-FATHER IS A CARPENTER, HE'S 36...


OUR BLOOD COMES FROM THE BLOOD OF THOSE LIVING THERE.
WE'RE NOT OUTSIDE REALITY.


WE'RE HUMAN BEINGS !!
TOKYO - FUKAGAWA
WAKE 66/END

WE ARE CURRENTLY LOOKING FOR STAFF MEMBERS TO WORK ON ZIPANG TO GREATLY SPEED UP THE RELEASES. TO DO-SO, WE WOULD LIKE TO RECRUIT TWO OR MORE TSER AND ONE ACTIVE CLEANER AS A START.
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CLEANER- DEAKACHU
TSER- ANGINRIBUT
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I DON'T HAVE ENOUGH TIME.
YOU'VE JUST ARRIVED IN XINJING AND YOU'RE ALREADY LEAVING FOR HEILONG JIANG... WHAT A SHAME...

BE CAREFUL, BANDITS AREN'T YOUR ONLY ENEMIES.
IF MY INVESTIGATIONS ARE FRUITFUL...

REST ASSURED THAT THE SOUTH-MANCHURIAN RAILWAYS OFFICES WILL COLLABORATE WITH YOU.
WE CAN'T REFUSE ANYTHING TO MISTER ISHIWARA.

HOWEVER, MISTER KUSAKA, REMEMBER THAT...
YOU ARE ON THE TERRITORY OF THE KANTO ARMY...

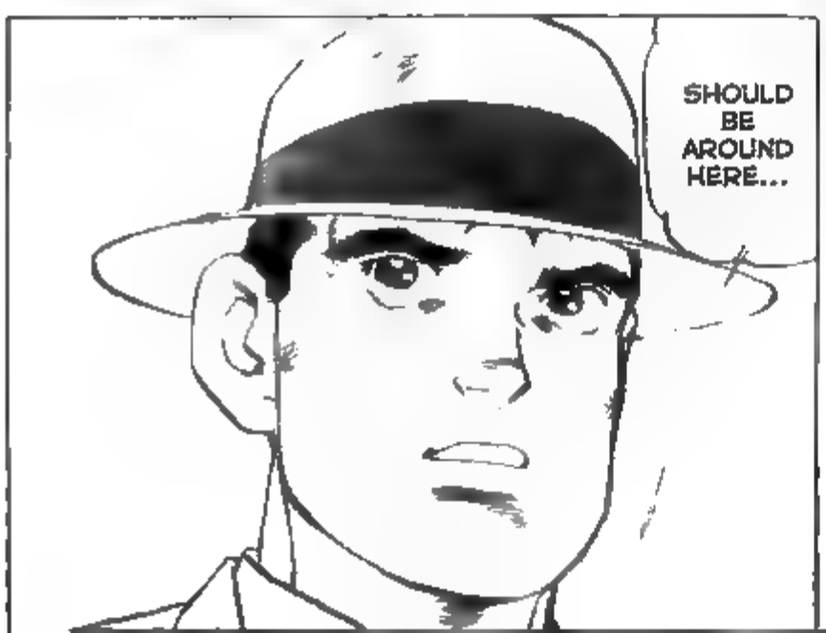
SORRY?

AND A NEW MONSTER WILL COME TO REIGN.
THE SUPREMACY OF THE KANTO ARMY WILL DISAPPEAR...

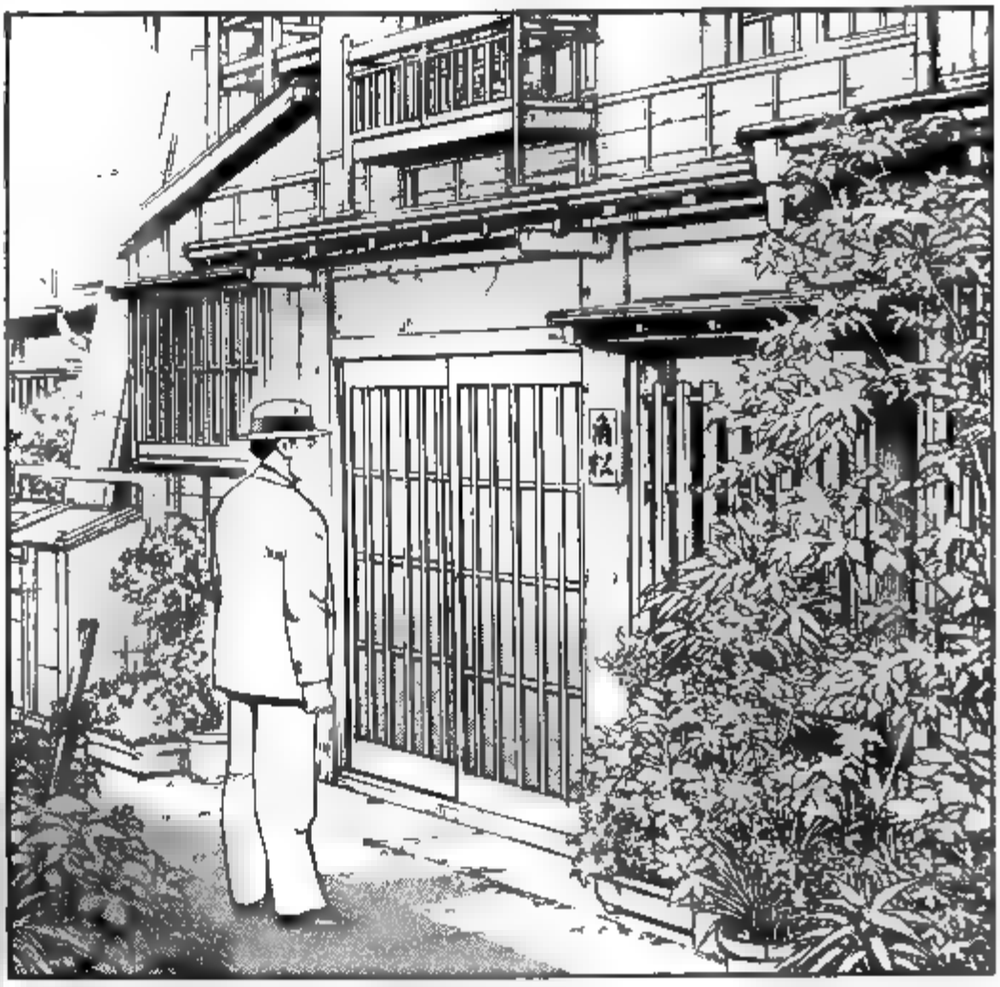
WAKE 67
MEN "OUTSIDE REALITY"

THEN THE FIRST...

WELL... IF THE SECOND BOROUGH OF SHINTO-MICHO IS HERE...


SHOULD BE AROUND HERE...

SIGN: KADOMATSU



AH... THANK YOU.
PEOPLE FROM THIS HOUSE ALREADY LEFT, MISTER.
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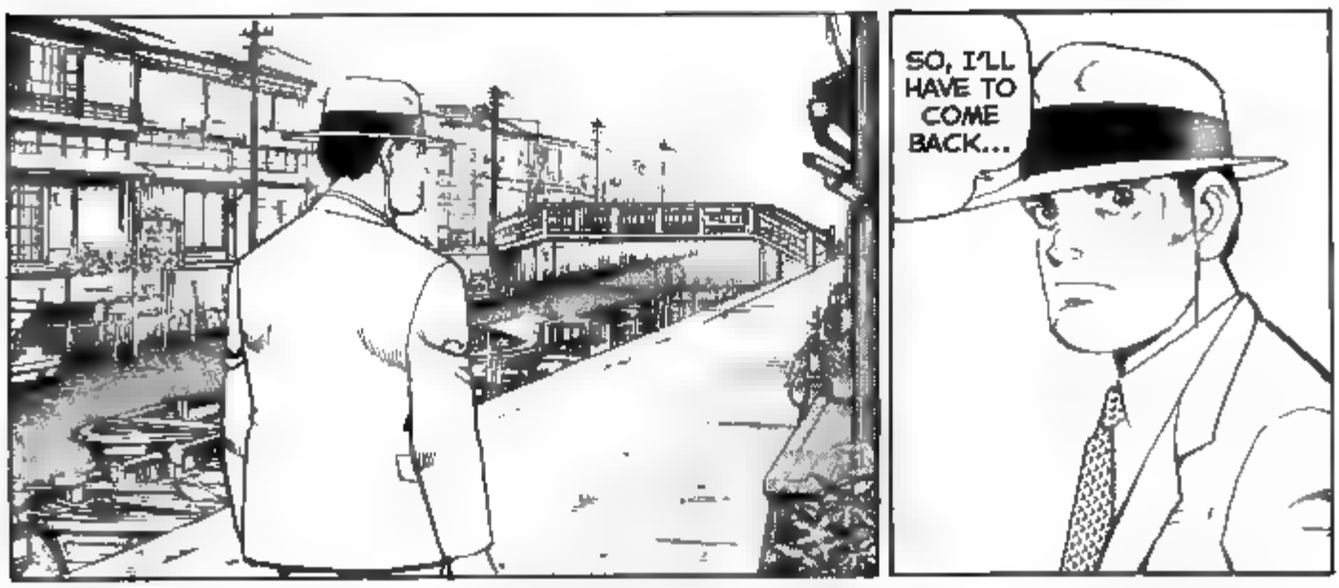
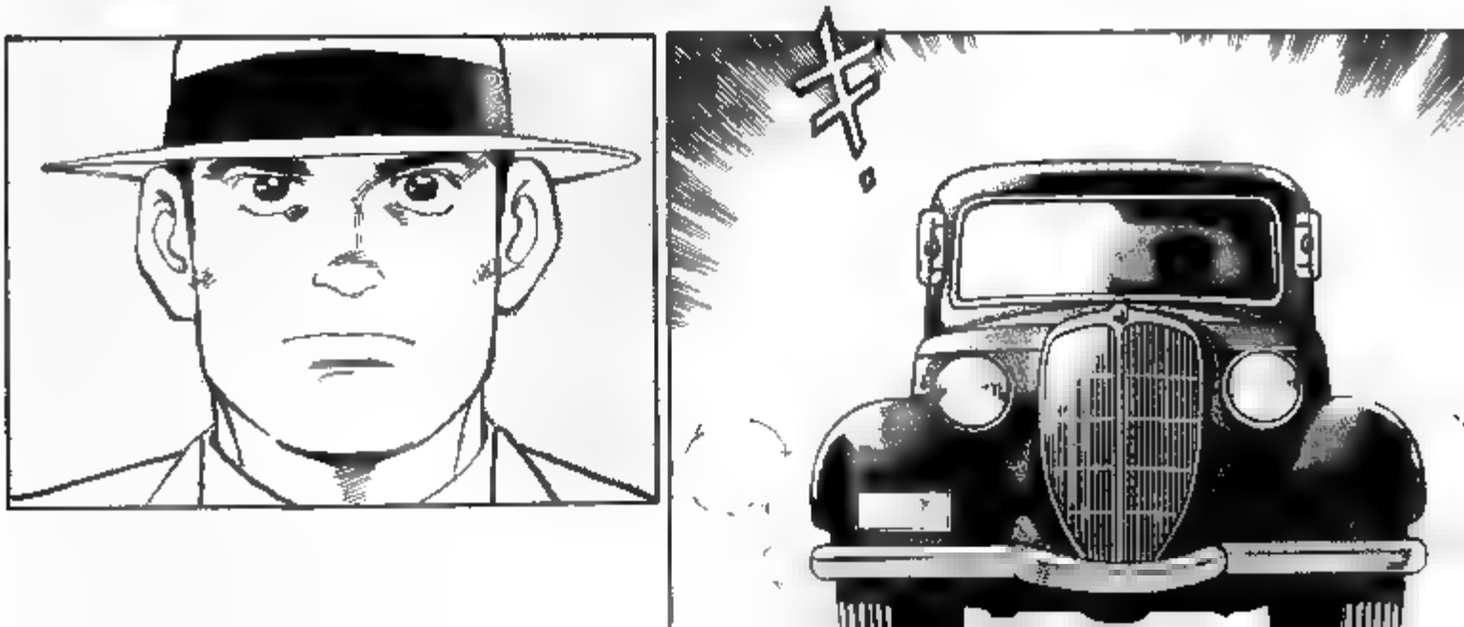
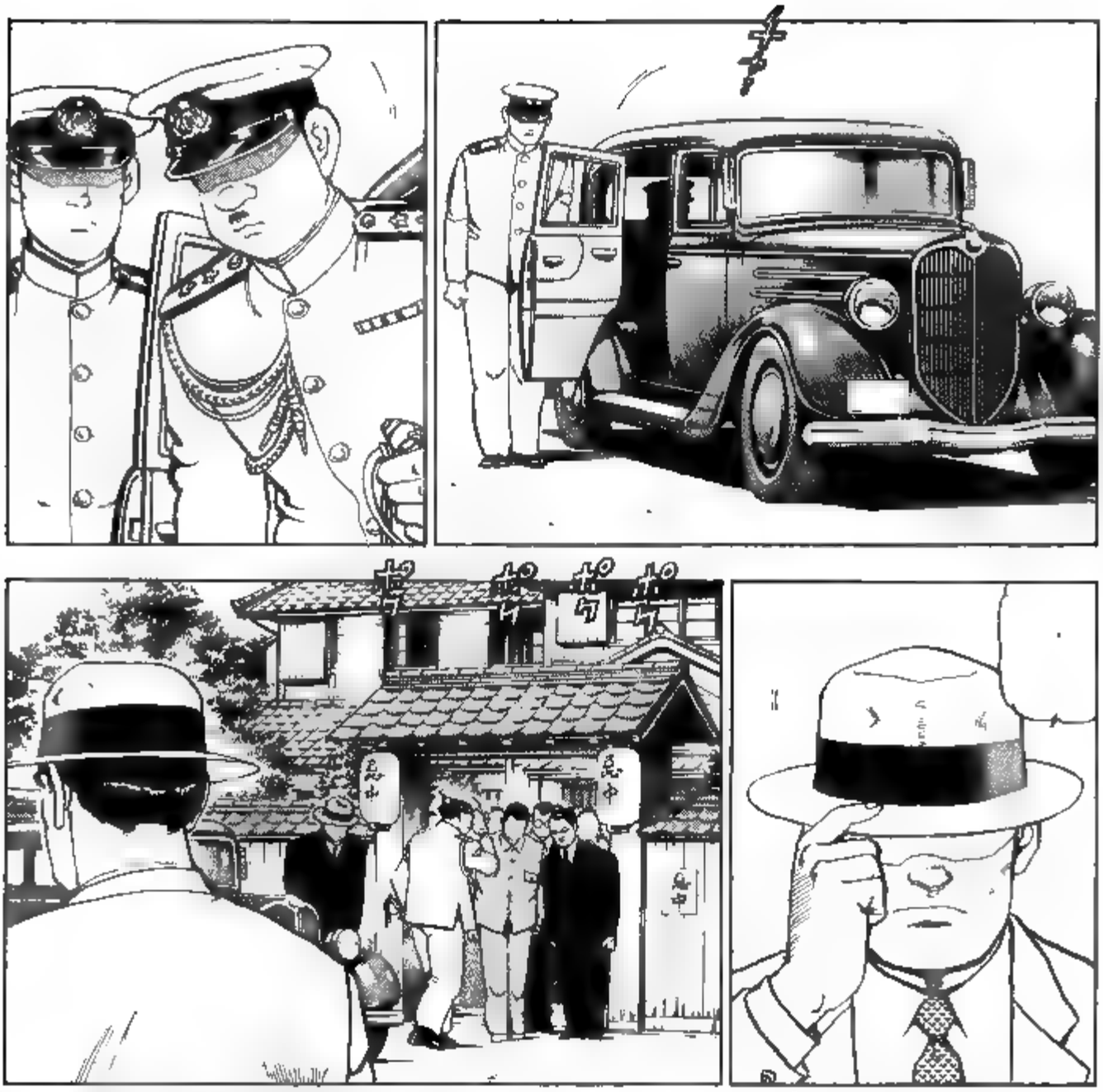

SO, I'LL HAVE TO COME BACK...

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IN THE 17TH LEG OF THE PROLONGATION, TOKUSHIMA SHOGYO HAS AN OCCASION TO TAKE THE LEAD.
A COLD SAKE PLEASE.
RIGHT AWAY.
OH... KOUSHIEN WAS HELD EVEN THIS YEAR.
HIGH SCHOOL BASE-BALL...
THE FINAL OF THE INTER HIGH TOURNAMENT IS NEARING ITS END.
THE PITCHER FROM HEIAN HIGH SCHOOL IS STARTING TO GET TIRED AND HE GAVE UP FOUR BALLS.
YOU'RE TELLING ME THAT BUSI-NESS IS GOING WELL?
EXCUSE ME FOR LAUGHING.
PFFF...! WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE?!

TL NOTE: "KOUSHIEN" ANNUAL HIGH-SCHOOL BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

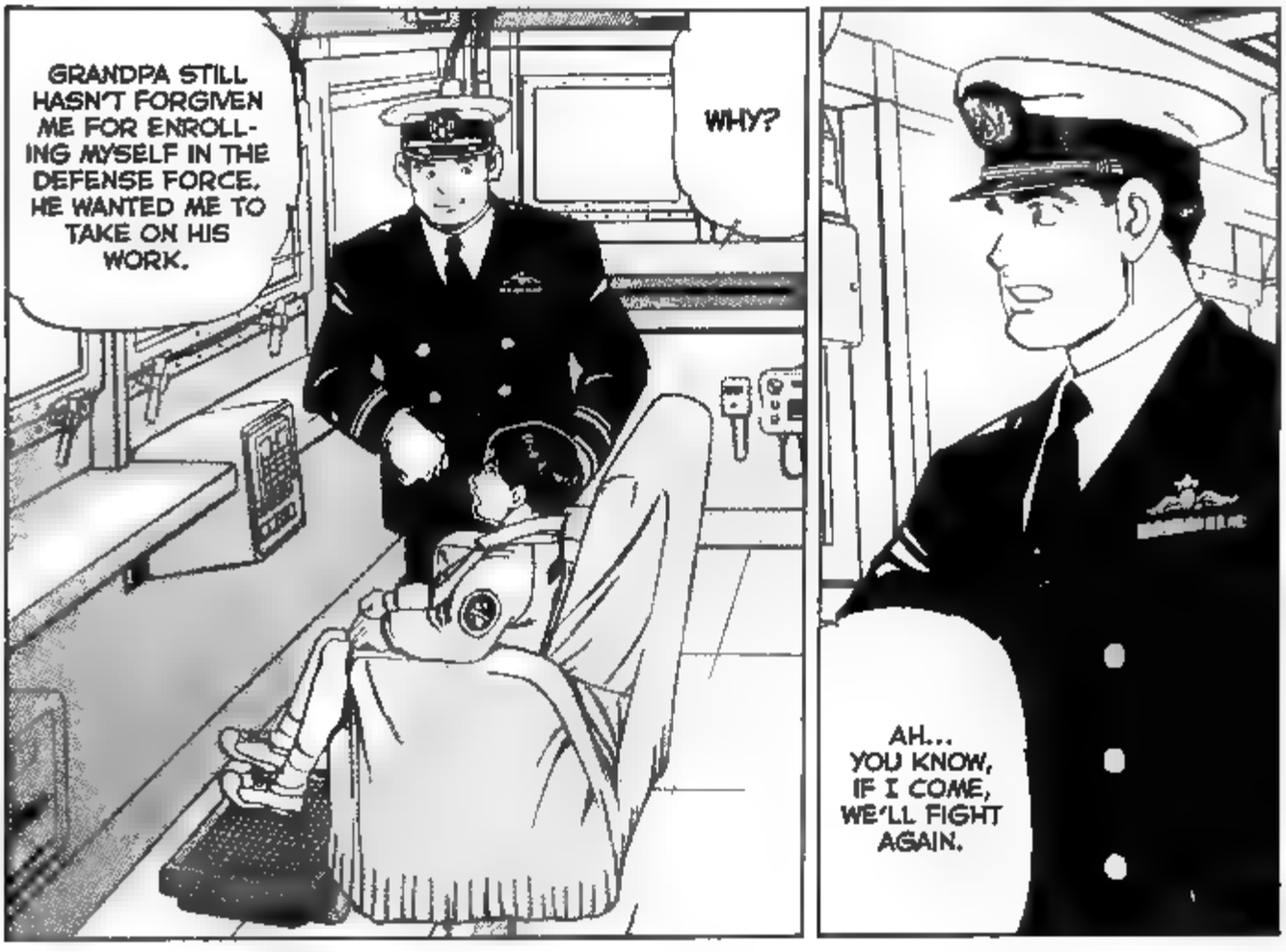
IT'S PATHETIC.
EARNING PLENTY OF MONEY IN THIS KIND OF PERIOD...
REGARD-LESS OF WHAT ONE SAYS ABOUT YOICHIRO...
HE'S STILL DRUNK SINCE YESTERDAY EVENING.
DON'T BOTHER WITH HIM.
OH, I SEE...
YOICHIRO!!!
HE'S MY SON...

YOKICHI KADOMATSU...
BASTARD!!
MY SON... I WON'T EVER BE ASHAMED OF HIM, WHEREVER I GO...
HE'S BEEN RAISED BY A CARPENTER.
IT'S MY GRAND-FATHER.

WHO ARE YOU?
ALLOW ME...
I'M JUST PASSING BY...
CAN I SERVE YOU?
OH, THAT'S NICE OF YOU...
ARE YOU YOKICHI KADOMATSU, THE CARPENTER?
YES! AND I CAN TELL YOU THAT SOME OF MY CLIENT WOULDN'T ACCEPT ANY OTHER DRESSER THAN MINE, FOR THEIR DAUGHTER DOWRY.

YES, AND SO WHAT?
I THINK I HEARD YOU TALK ABOUT YOUR SON, YOICHIRO...
HE'S MY OLDER BROTHER AND SO WHAT?
WHERE IS HE AT THE MOM...
NOT HERE!!
DOES THAT GIVE HIM THE RIGHT NOT TO LET ME SEE MY SON? ME, HIS ONLY FATHER?!
WHO DOES HE THINK HE IS?!

YES, YOU CAN GO.
GOOD IDEA, HE'LL BE VERY PLEASED.
DAD, I'D LIKE TO VISIT GRAND-FATHER. FROM YOKOSUKA, IT'S NOT SO FAR, RIGHT?
YOU AREN'T WORKING TOMORROW, RIGHT?
ARE YOU COMING WITH ME?
1975 - YOKOSUKA


GRANDPA STILL HASN'T FORGIVEN ME FOR ENROLL-ING MYSELF IN THE DEFENSE FORCE. HE WANTED ME TO TAKE ON HIS WORK.
WHY?
AH... YOU KNOW, IF I COME, WE'LL FIGHT AGAIN.

YOUR STUB-BORNNESS MIGHT COME FROM HIM.
HE'S A VERY GOOD CRAFTS-MAN BUT VERY PROUD. HE HATES TO LOWER HIMSELF IN FRONT OF PEOPLE.
EVERY TIME HE DRANK, HE WAS QUARRELLING... MY UNCLE COULDN'T STAND IT ANYMORE SO HE TOOK ME WITH HIM.
BUT, YOU KNOW WHAT.
I WANT TO SEE MY SON!!

YOU COULD GET HIM BACK AND TEACH HIM YOUR CRAFT, SO THAT HE COULD SUCCEED YOU.
IF YOU THINK SO, THEN WHY DON'T YOU GO?
WHAT'S THE MATTER? AREN'T YOU HIS FATHER?!
YOU DID WRONG BECAUSE OF ALCOHOL, RIGHT? THEN, QUIT DRINKING, AND TAKE BETTER CARE OF YOUR SON...
IF THAT WAS POSSIBLE... I'D DO IT...
YES, BUT...
IF I WERE YOU, I WOULDN'T BE SUCH A COWARD!

WHAT?!
YOICHIRO ISN'T...
ALIVE ANYMORE ...
THOSE BASTARDS FROM THE NAVY!! NO...
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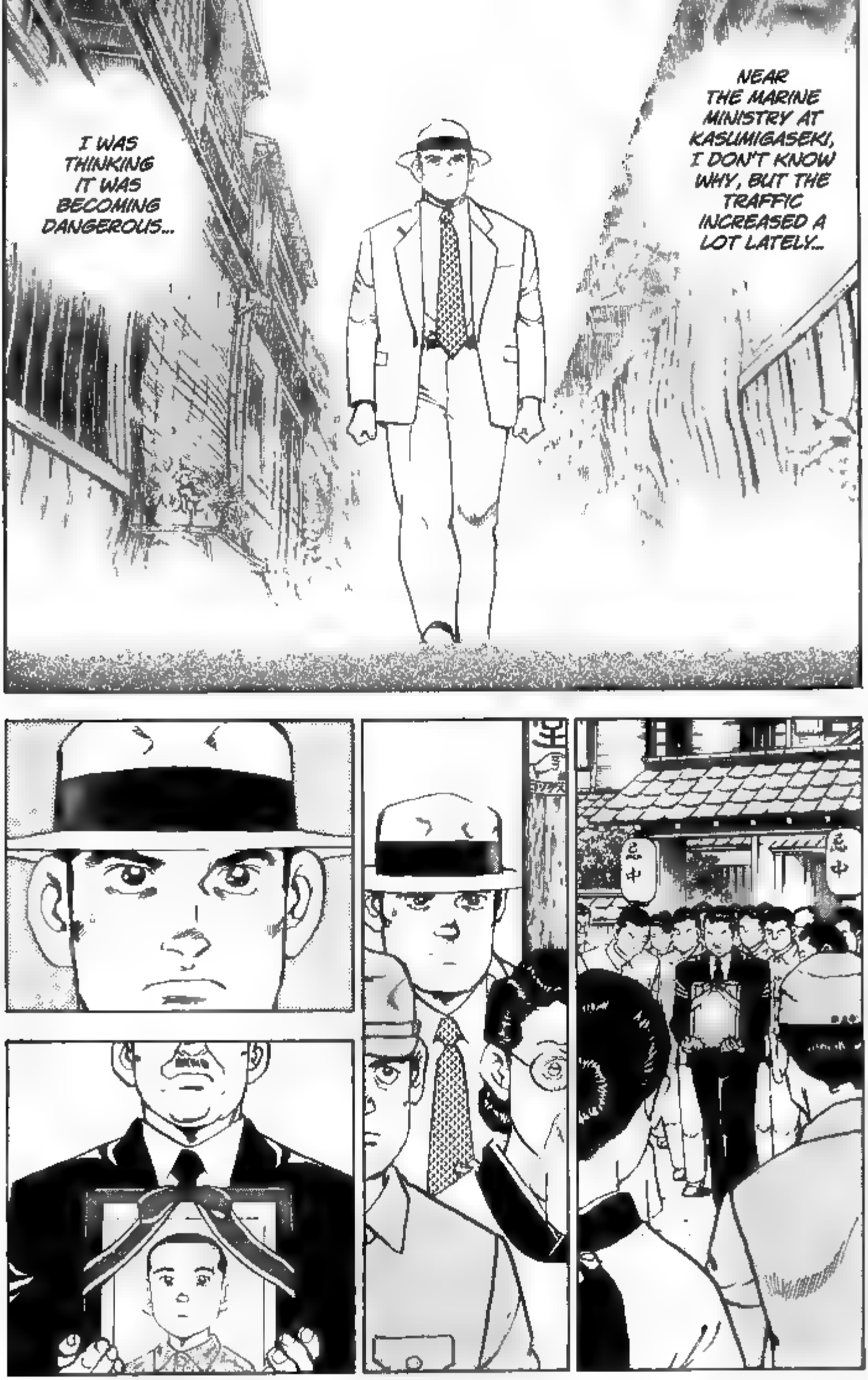
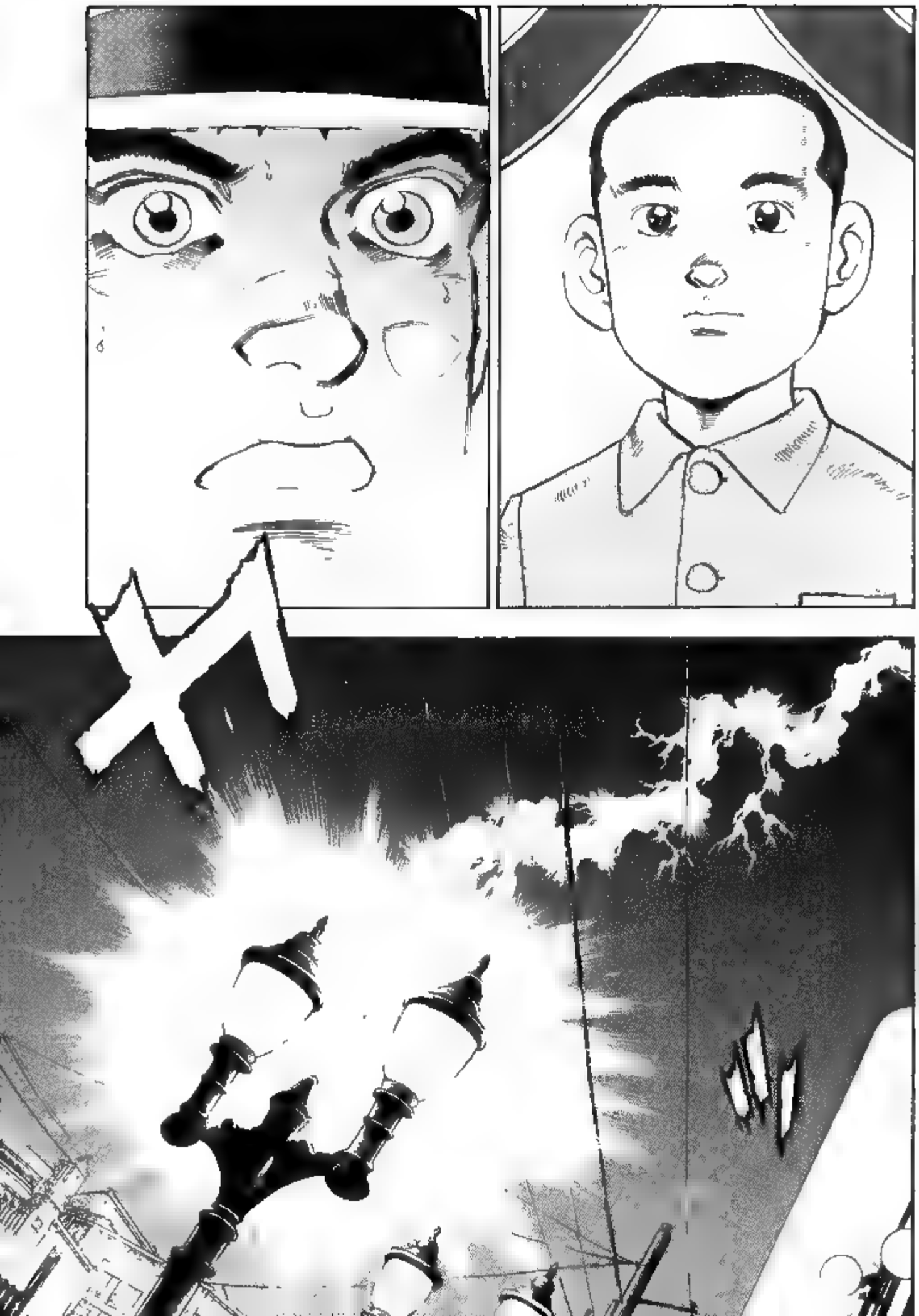
HE'S MAD BECAUSE HE COULDN'T AFFORD THE FUNERAL...
POOR LITTLE YOICHI... HE WAS BUMPED BY A CAR IN GINZA...
THREE DAYS AGO... A CAR FROM THE NAVY... THE FUNERAL IS TODAY.
HE'S A VERY GOOD CRAFTSMAN, BUT HE LACKS A LITTLE BIT OF RIGOUR...
MY FATHER...
WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?!


I WAS THINKING IT WAS BECOMING DANGEROUS...
NEAR THE MARINE MINISTRY AT KASUMIGASEKI, I DON'T KNOW WHY, BUT THE TRAFFIC INCREASED A LOT LATELY...



IN OUR PERIOD, IT'S EXACTLY YOU...
WHO ARE OUTSIDE REALITY.
FROM THIS PERIOD...
YOU SHALL NOT FORGET THAT YOU'RE NOT...
IS FAMILIAR, BUT...
EVERY-THING AROUND ME...

THIS IS NOT THE JAPAN WE'RE FROM!!

THIS IS REALLY..
SO HOW'S THE CONTINENTAL WIND?
MISTER "WANG YUCH I"
Harbin Station
NOTE "SPEAK IN CHINESE"
THE WIND OF ASIA".
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WANT TO GET FASTER
RELEASES?
COME AND JOIN US!
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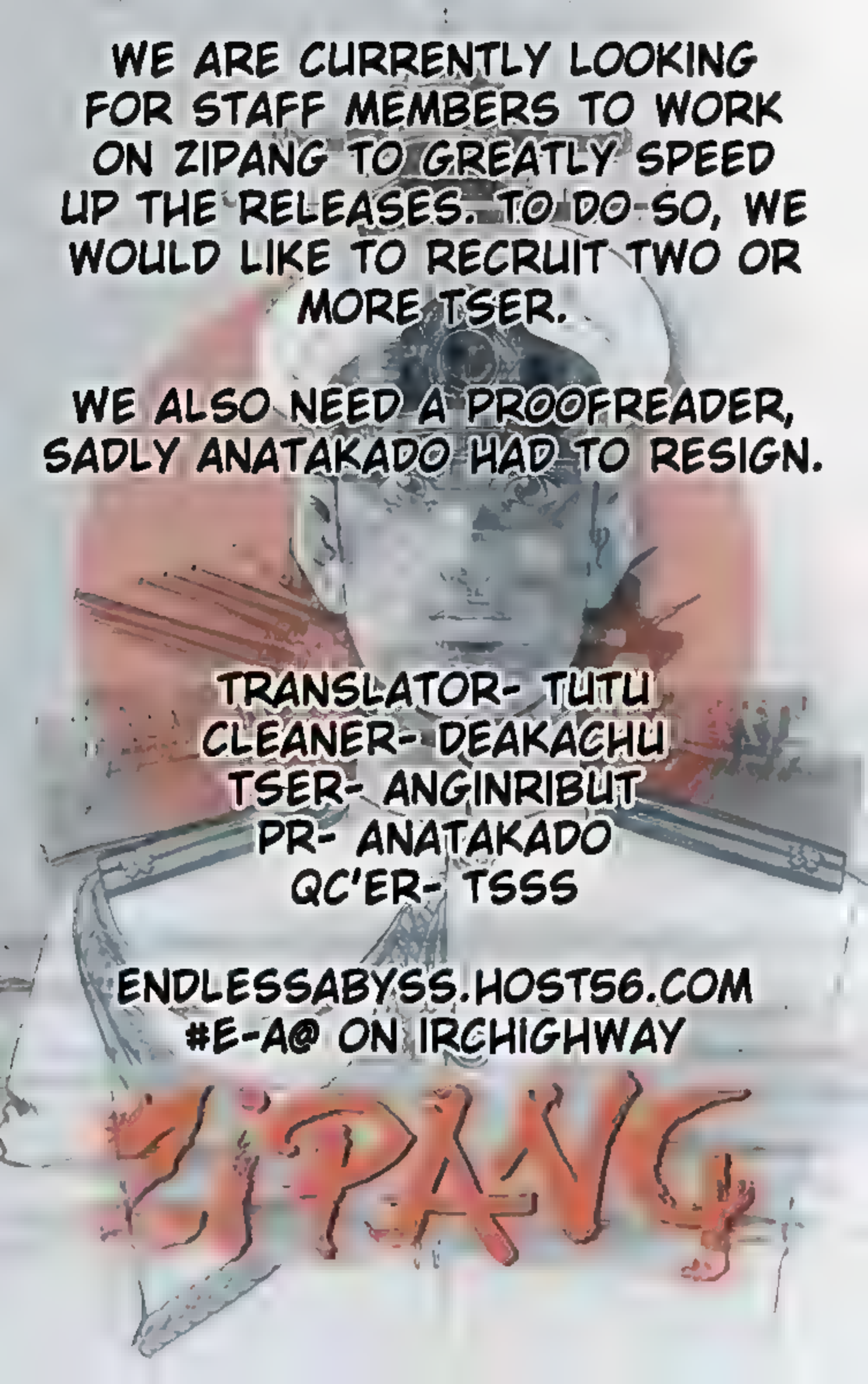
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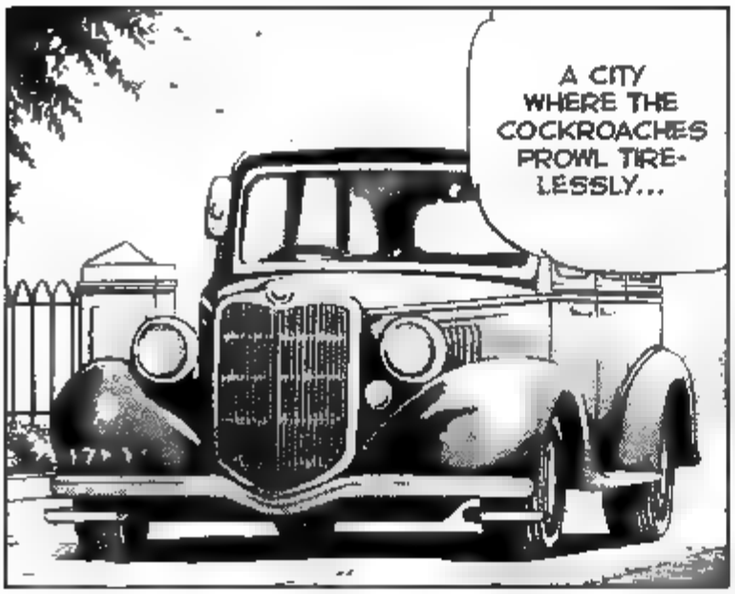
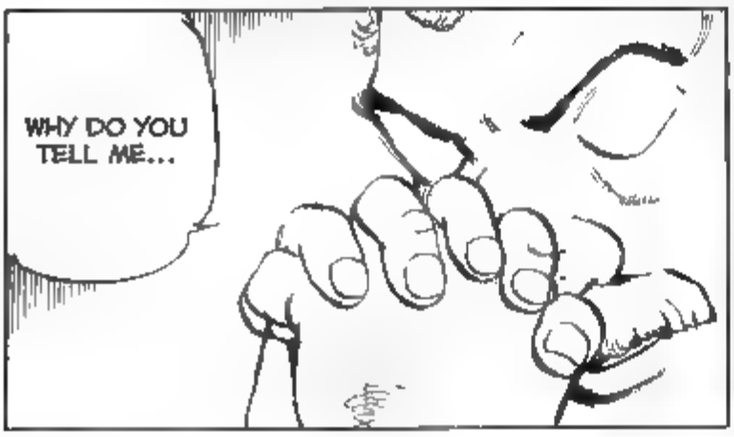
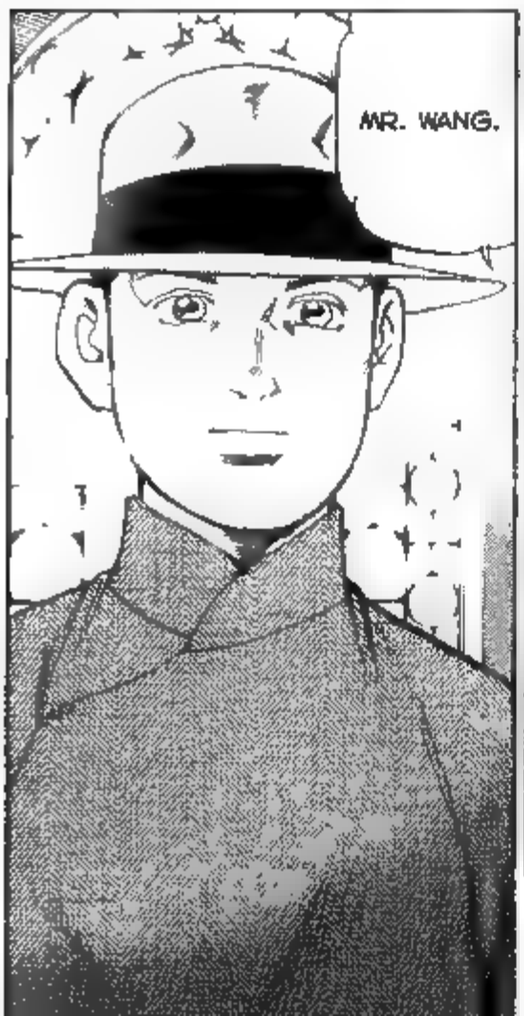
THE FAKE TRADER

HERE IN HARBIN, THE LARGE METROPOLIS IN NORTH MANCHURIA WAS BUILT BY THE EMPIRE OF RUSSIA,
HARBIN
HARBIN IS THE EPITOME OF A GLOBALIZED CITY.
AND ALSO KOREAN PEOPLE, CHINESE PEOPLE, PALESTINIAN PEOPLE... EVERYBODY LIVES TOGETHER.
DESCENDANTS OF THE HAN...
JAPANESE PEOPLE DOMINATING THE MANCHURIA ...
RUSSIAN MIGRANTS ...

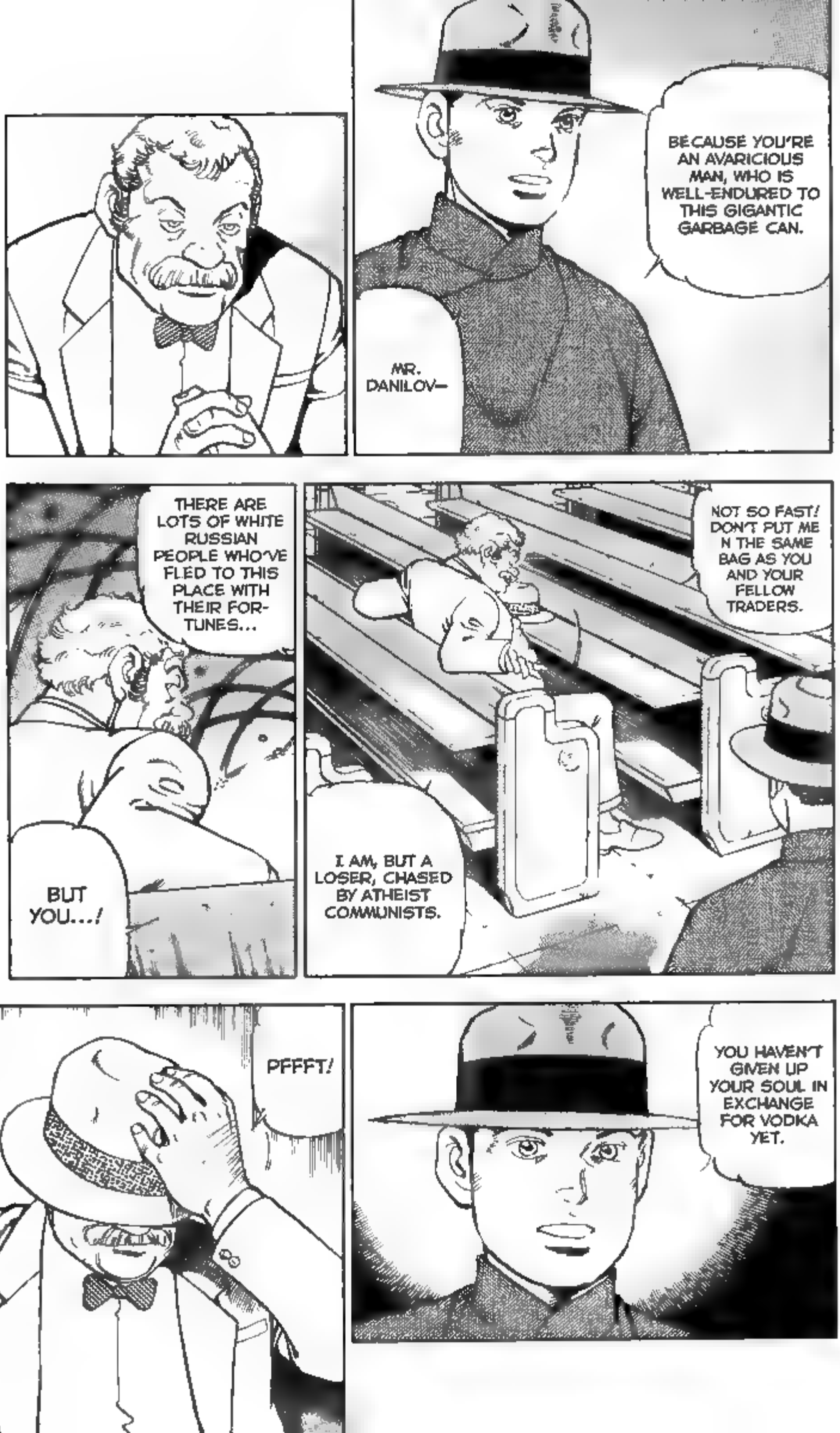

A CITY WHERE THE COCKROACHES PROWL TIRELESSLY...

IT IS ALSO THE GARBAGE CHUTE OF THE CONCESSIONS ...

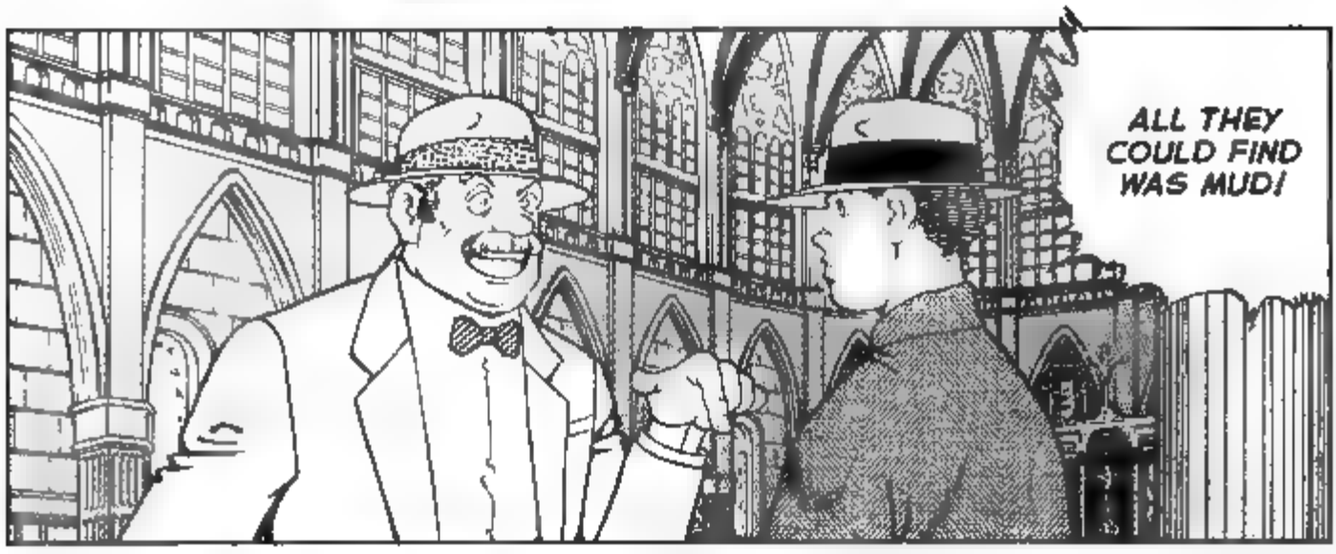

WHY DO YOU TELL ME...

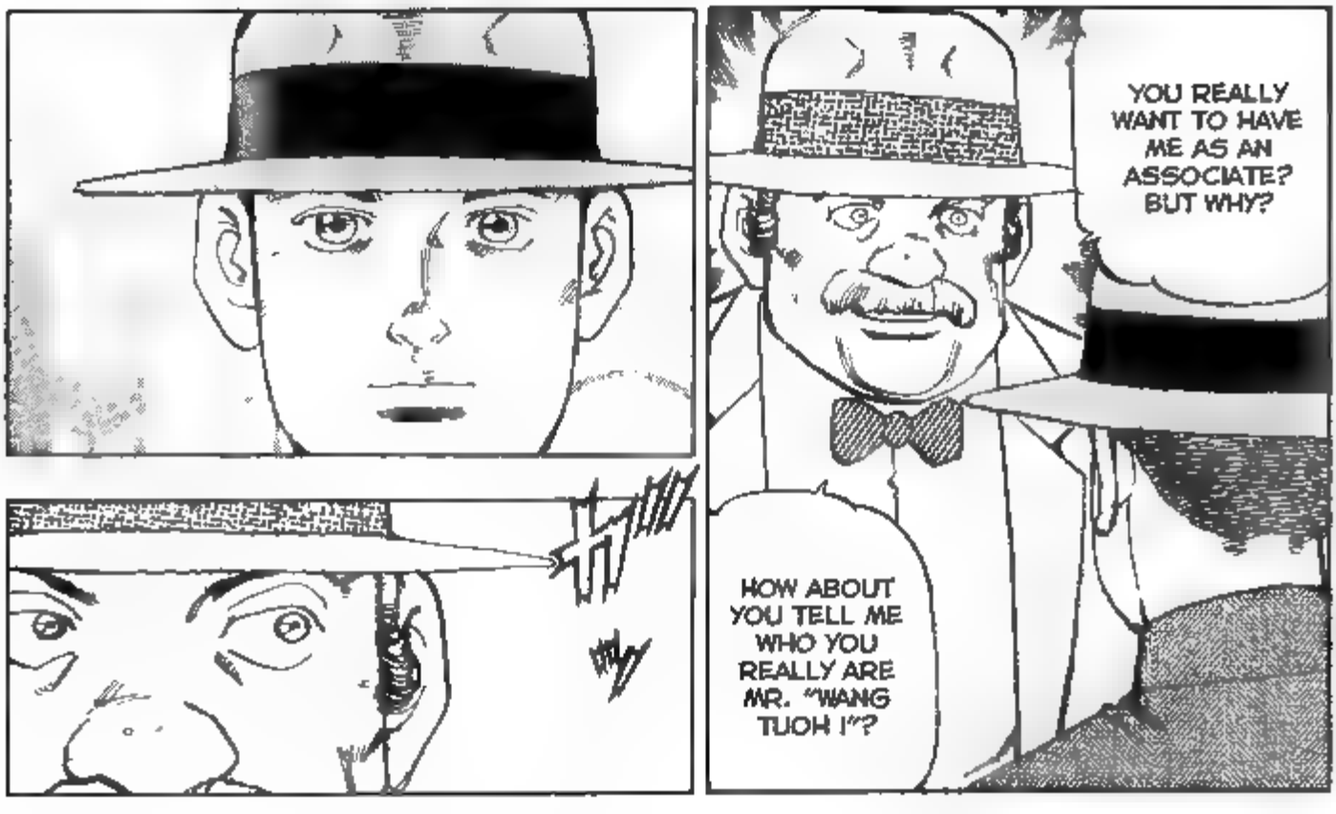

MR. WANG.

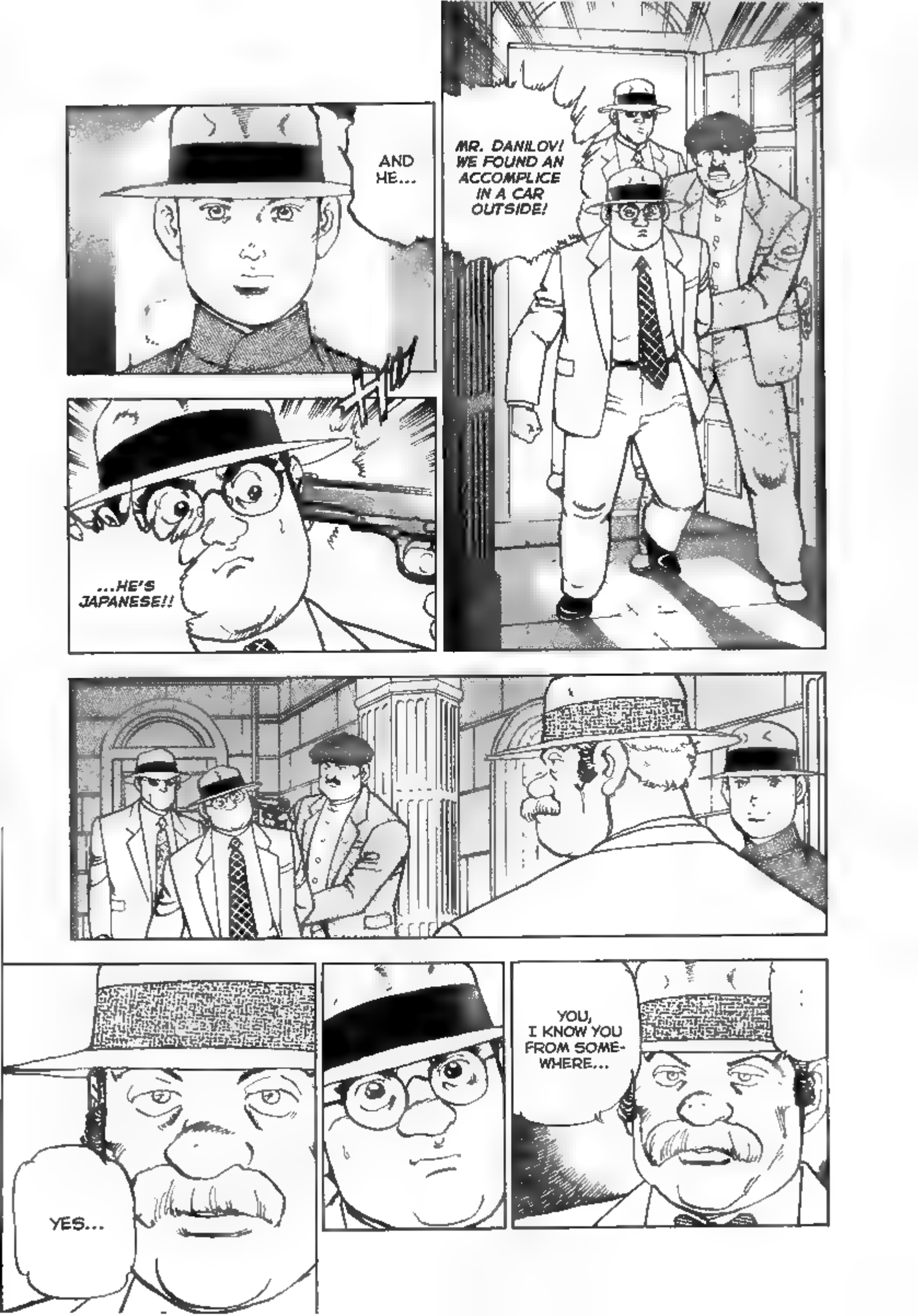
ABOUT SUCH AN INTERESTING BUSINESS? ELABORATE...

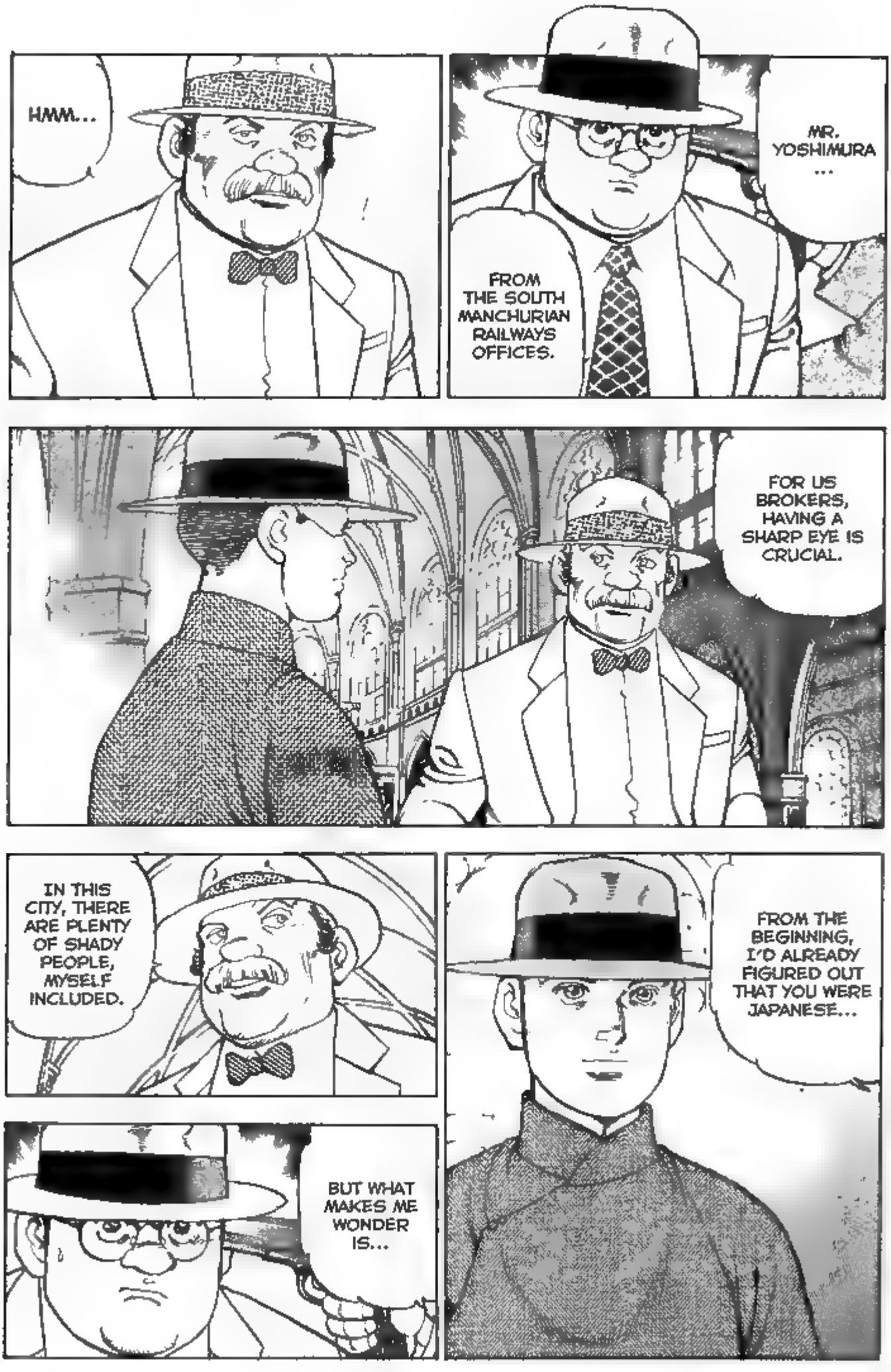

MR. DANILOV—
BECAUSE YOU'RE AN AVARICIOUS MAN, WHO IS WELL-ENDURED TO THIS GIGANTIC GARBAGE CAN.
THERE ARE LOTS OF WHITE RUSSIAN PEOPLE WHO'VE FLED TO THIS PLACE WITH THEIR FORTUNES...
BUT YOU.../
I AM, BUT A LOSER, CHASED BY ATHEIST COMMUNISTS.
NOT SO FAST! DON'T PUT ME N THE SAME BAG AS YOU AND YOUR FELLOW TRADERS.
PFFFT!
YOU HAVEN'T GIVEN UP YOUR SOUL IN EXCHANGE FOR VODKA YET.

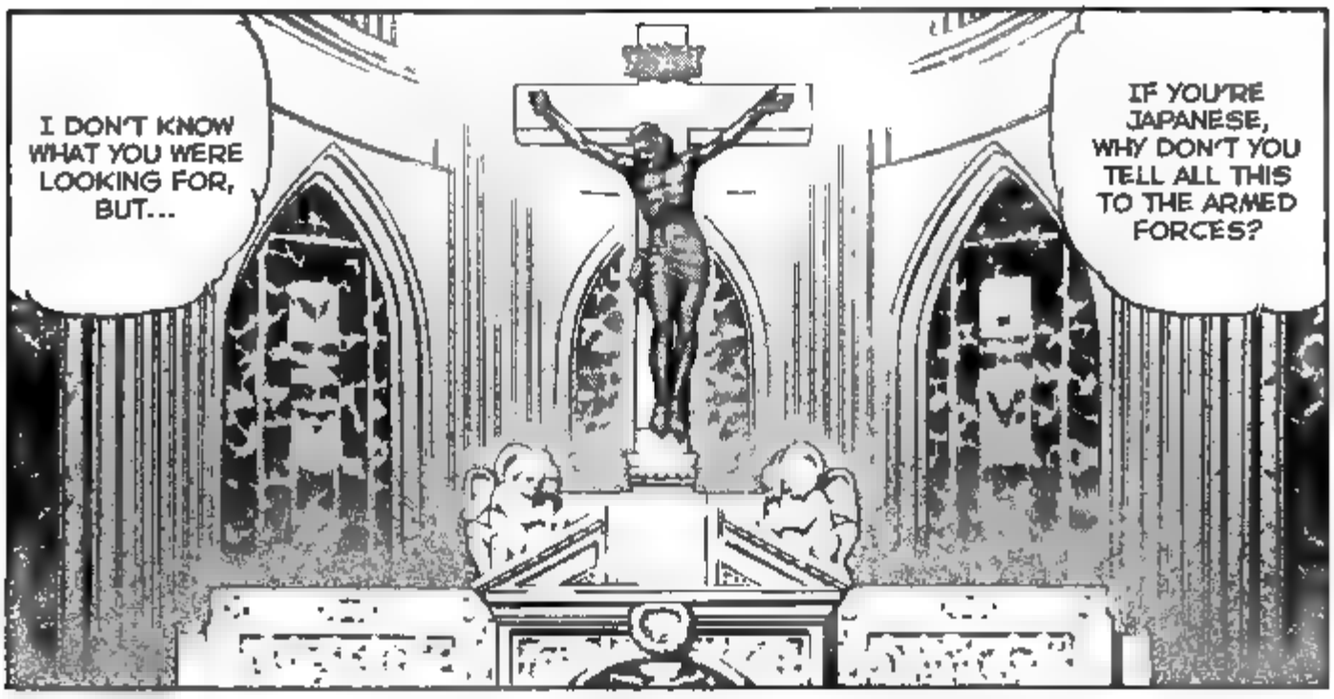
A BIG OIL FIELD IN HEILONG JIANG?
HAVE YOU HAD VISIONS, MR. WANG ?
OVER THERE, WELL-QUALIFIED JAPANESE MEN HAVE DUG THE GROUND RELENTLESSLY.
AND THERE WAS NO OIL WHATSO-EVER.

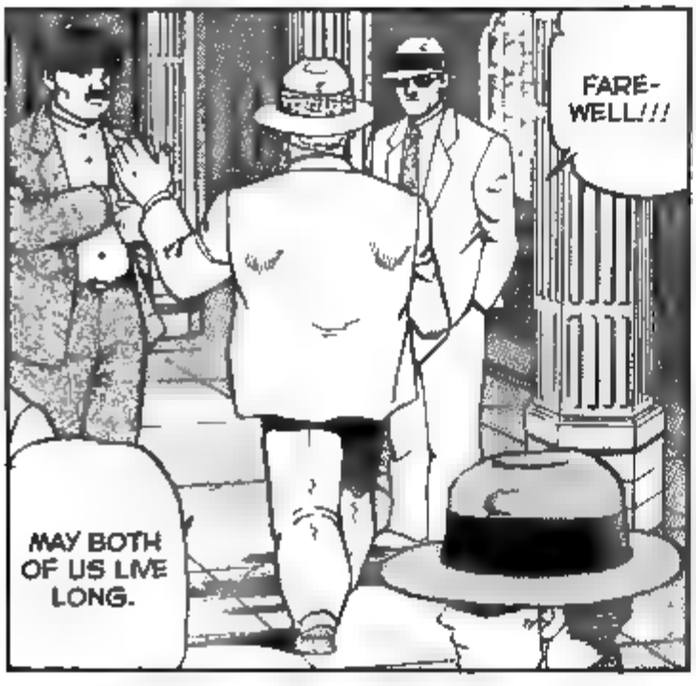

ALL THEY COULD FIND WAS MUD!


YOU REALLY WANT TO HAVE ME AS AN ASSOCIATE? BUT WHY?
HOW ABOUT YOU TELL ME WHO YOU REALLY ARE MR. "WANG TUOH !"?


AND HE...
MR. DANILOV! WE FOUND AN ACCOMPLICE IN A CAR OUTSIDE!
...HE'S JAPANESE!!
YES...
YOU, I KNOW YOU FROM SOME-WHERE...


HMM...
MR. YOSHIMURA ...
FROM THE SOUTH MANCHURIAN RAILWAYS OFFICES.
FOR US BROKERS, HAVING A SHARP EYE IS CRUCIAL.
IN THIS CITY, THERE ARE PLENTY OF SHADY PEOPLE, MYSELF INCLUDED.
FROM THE BEGINNING, I'D ALREADY FIGURED OUT THAT YOU WERE JAPANESE...
BUT WHAT MAKES ME WONDER IS...

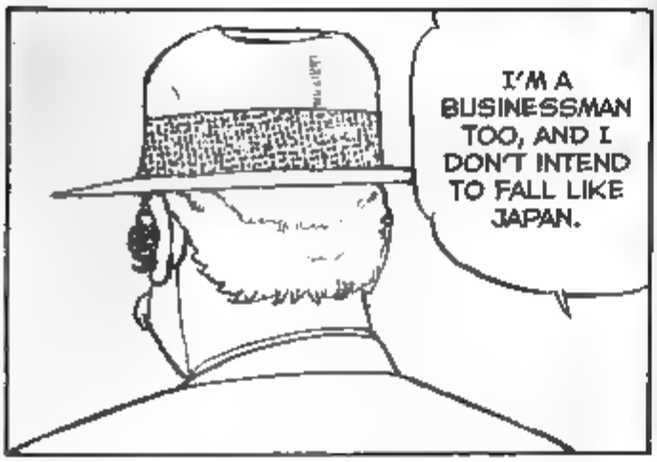

I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU WERE LOOKING FOR, BUT...
IF YOU'RE JAPANESE, WHY DON'T YOU TELL ALL THIS TO THE ARMED FORCES?

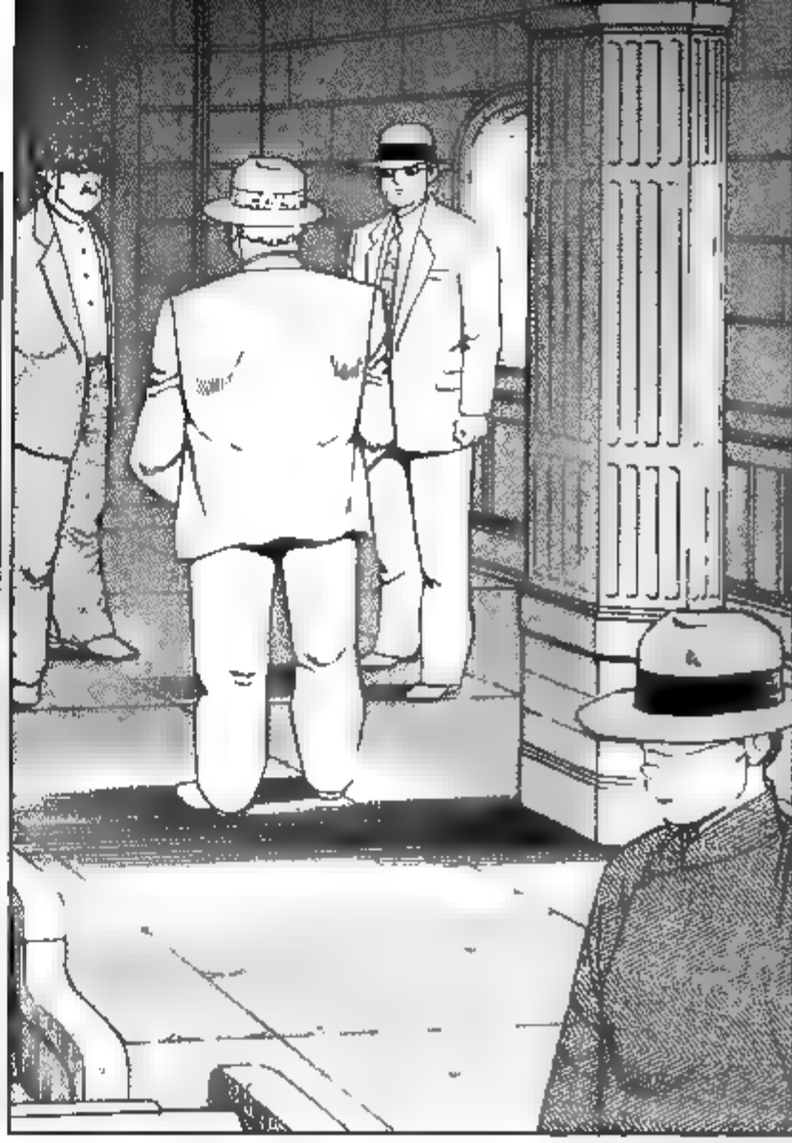

FARE-WELL!!!
MAY BOTH OF US LIVE LONG.

SOMETHING WAS OFF, AND SINCE THE MOMENT YOU'D ASKED FOR A COLLABORATION, I WAS READY TO CHARGE AT YOU.
YOU SEE, I'M CONCERNED ABOUT MY LIFE.

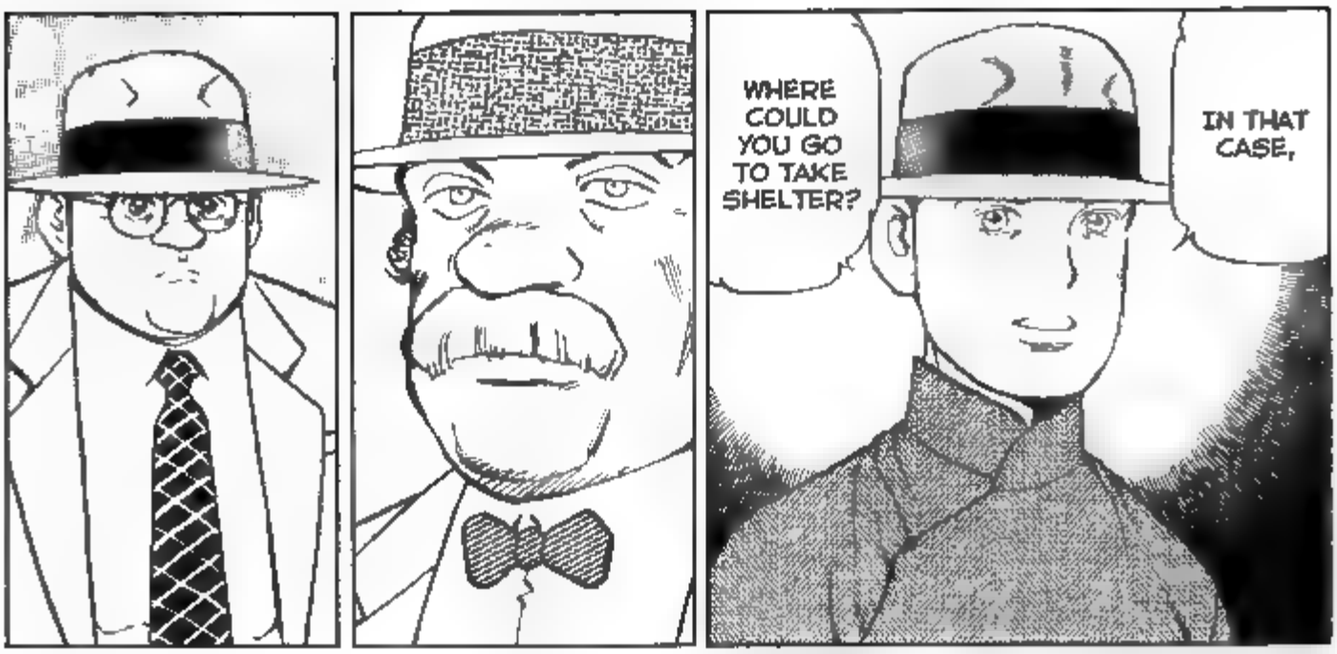
IF I TELL THE ARMED FORCES WHAT I KNOW,
I WON'T MAKE ANY MONEY.

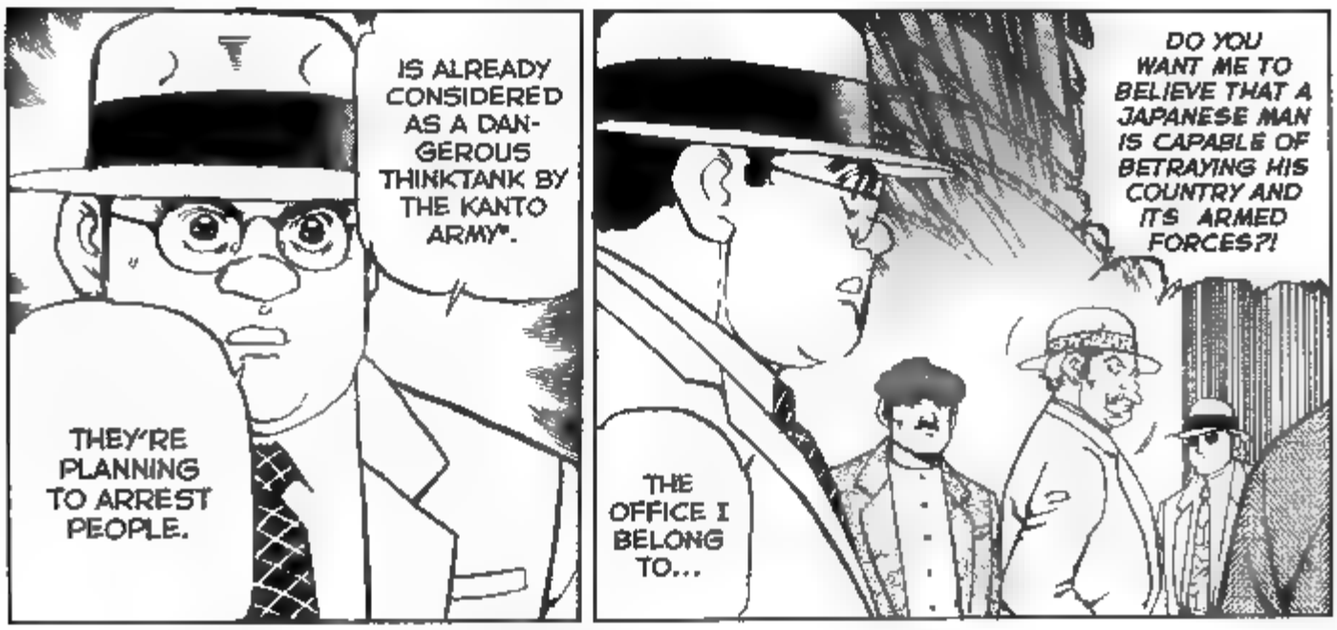
IF THINGS ARE GOING ON THIS WAY,
JAPAN WILL LOSE THIS WAR.


I'M A BUSINESSMAN TOO, AND I DON'T INTEND TO FALL LIKE JAPAN.

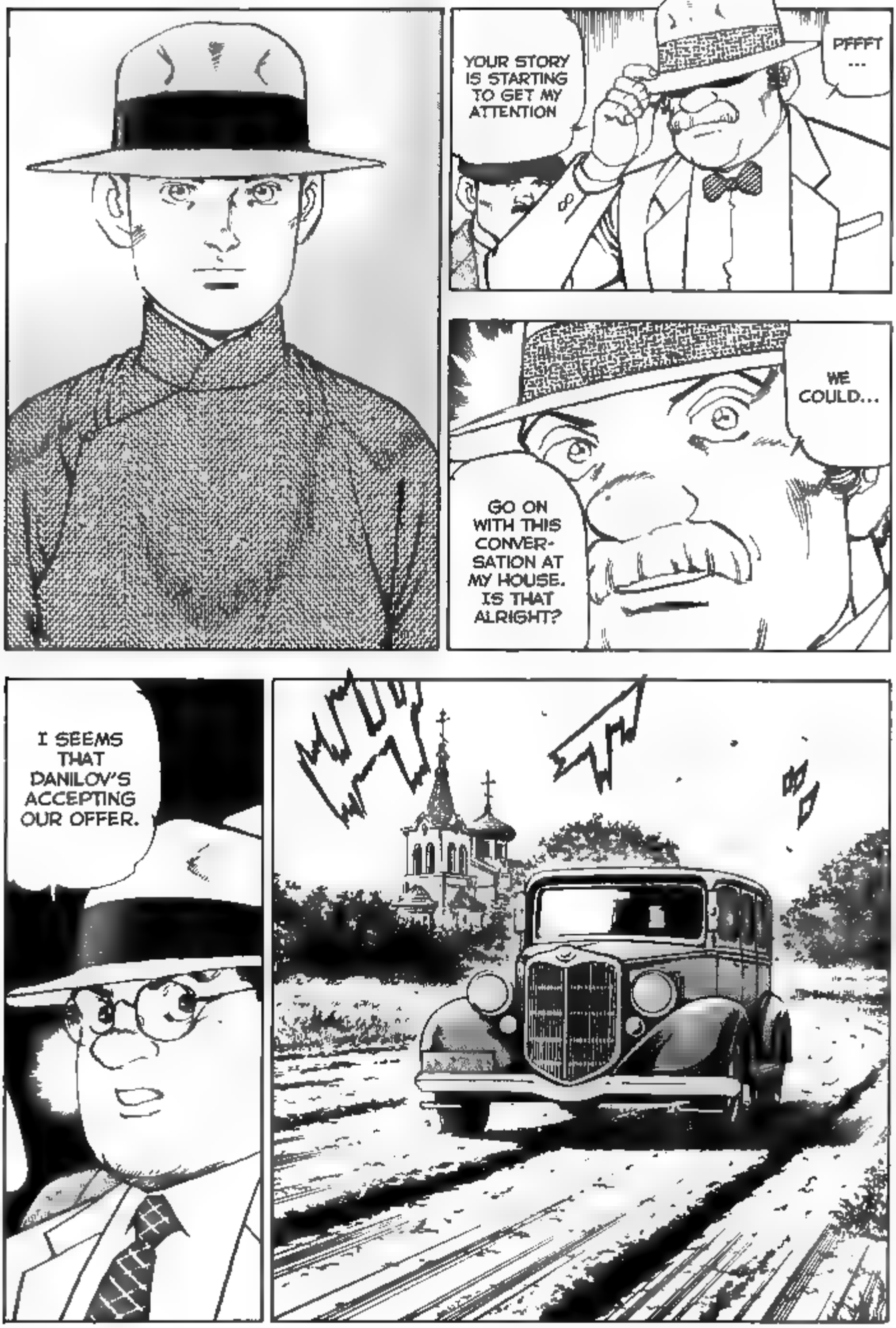


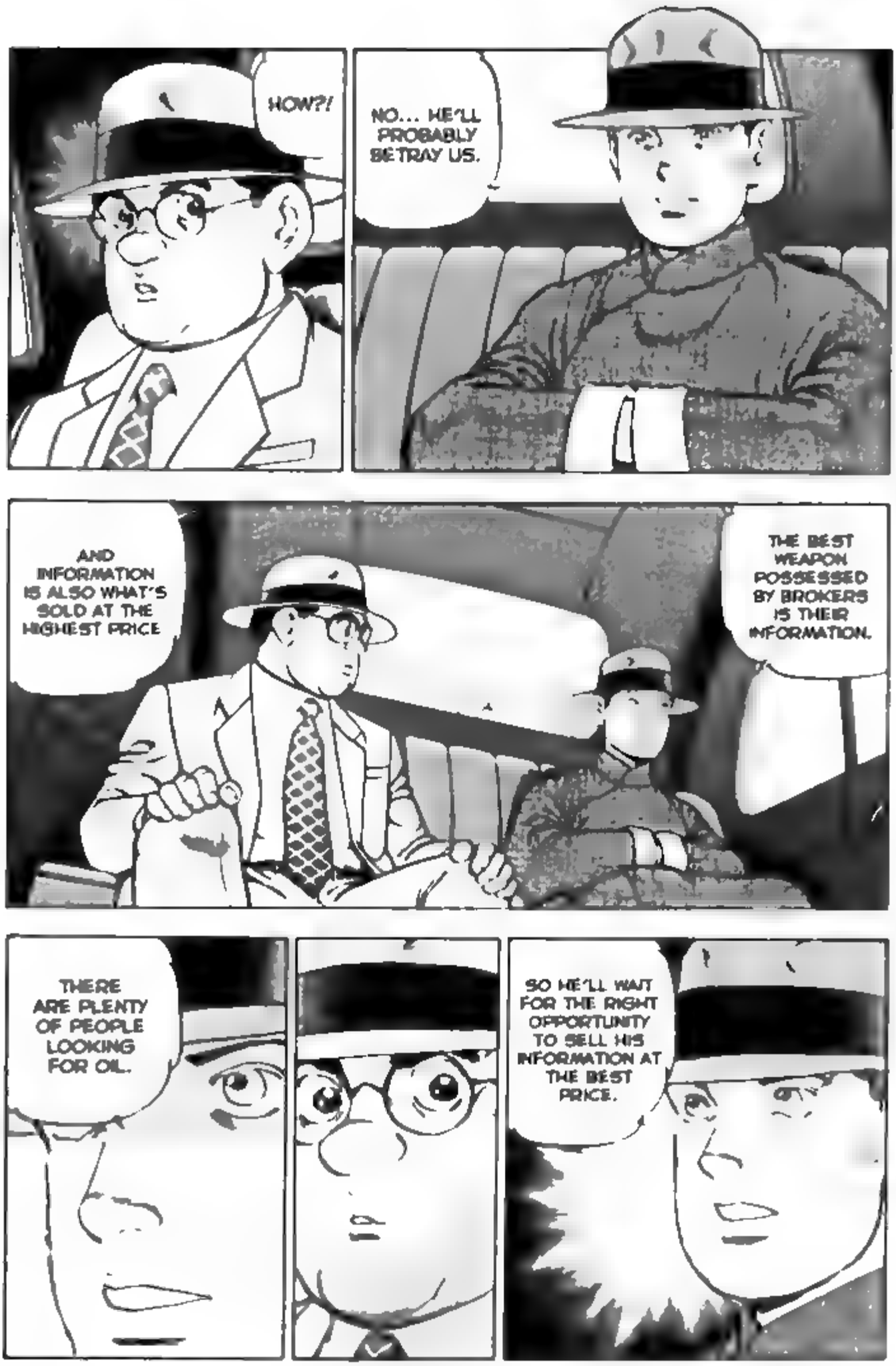
THE RUSSIAN PRESSURE IN THE SOUTH WILL INCREASE EVEN MORE.
IF I WAS ABLE TO SELL MY INFORMATION TO THE SOVIE—... TO THE COMMUNIST PARTY,

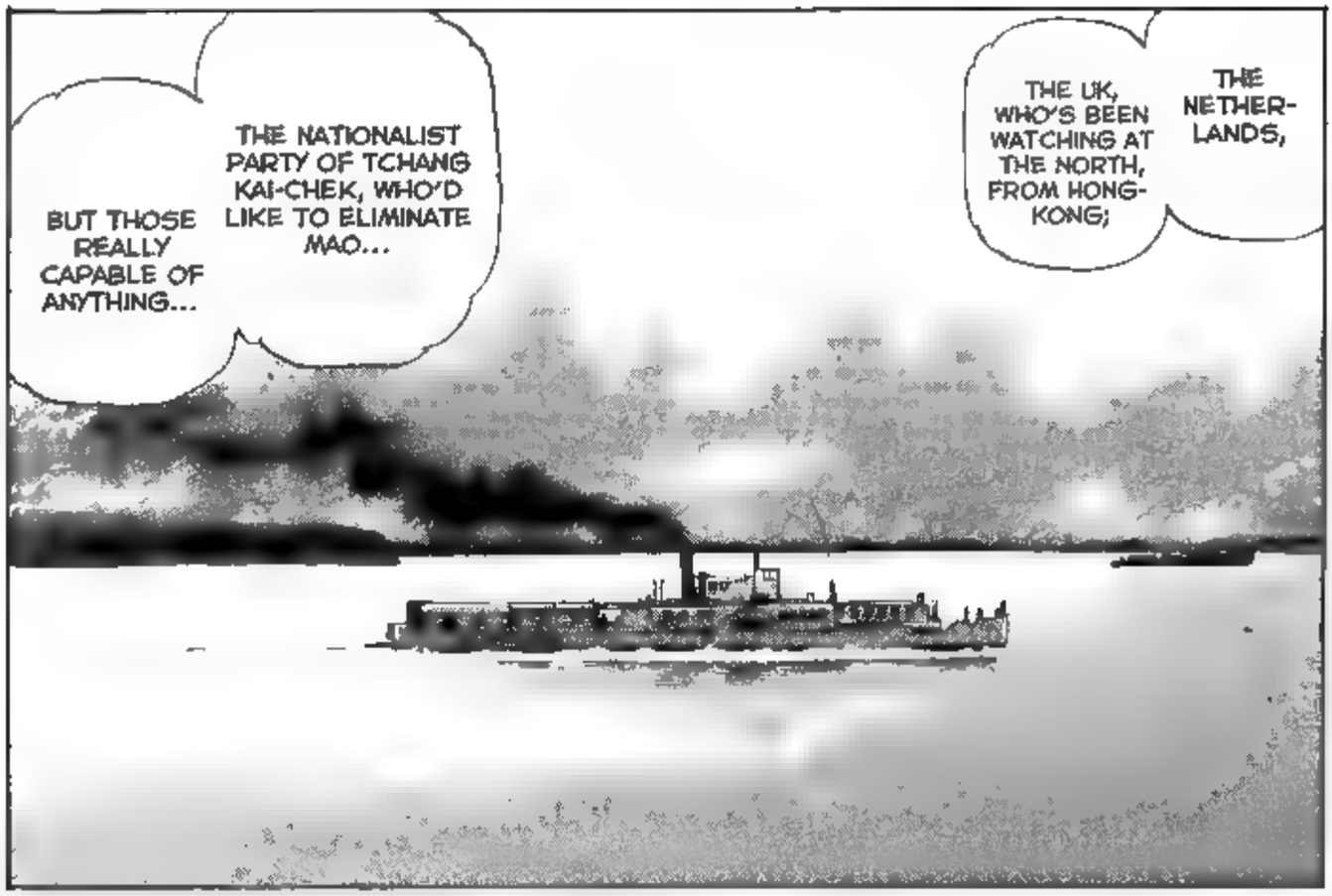



IS ALREADY CONSIDERED AS A DANGEROUS THINKTANK BY THE KANTO ARMY*.
THEY'RE PLANNING TO ARREST PEOPLE.
DO YOU WANT ME TO BELIEVE THAT A JAPANESE MAN IS CAPABLE OF BETRAYING HIS COUNTRY AND ITS ARMED FORCES?!
THE OFFICE I BELONG TO...

NOTE. *GUANG DONG IN CHINESE.

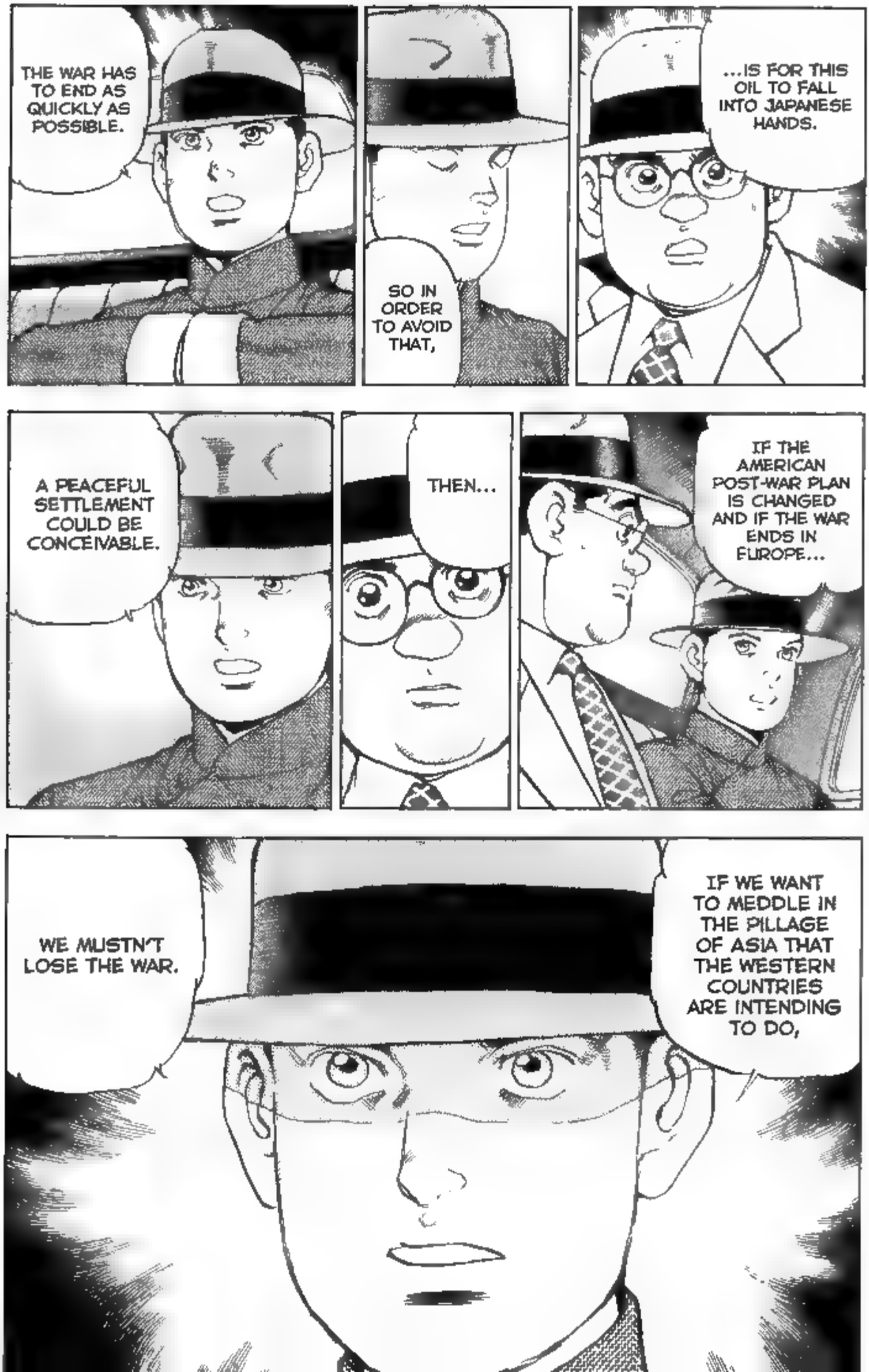

YOUR STORY IS STARTING TO GET MY ATTENTION
PFFFT ...
WE COULD...
GO ON WITH THIS CONVER-SATION AT MY HOUSE. IS THAT ALRIGHT?
I SEEMS THAT DANILOV'S ACCEPTING OUR OFFER.


HOW?!
NO... HE'LL PROBABLY BETRAY US.
AND INFORMATION IS ALSO WHAT'S SOLD AT THE HIGHEST PRICE
THE BEST WEAPON POSSESSED BY BROKERS IS THEIR INFORMATION.
THERE ARE PLENTY OF PEOPLE LOOKING FOR OIL.
SO HE'LL WAIT FOR THE RIGHT OPPORTUNITY TO SELL HIS INFORMATION AT THE BEST PRICE.


THE NETHER-LANDS,
THE UK, WHO'S BEEN WATCHING AT THE NORTH, FROM HONG-KONG;
THE NATIONALIST PARTY OF TCHANG KAI-CHEK, WHO'D LIKE TO ELIMINATE MAO...
BUT THOSE REALLY CAPABLE OF ANYTHING...

...ARE THE UNITED STATES, WHO'VE BEEN LATE AT SEIZING CHINESE OPPOR-TUNITIES.

FOR AN OIL SUPPLY, EVEN THE US GOV-ERNMENT WILL MAKE ITS MOVE.
AND WHAT THEY'RE MOST AFRAID OF...


THE WAR HAS TO END AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.
SO IN ORDER TO AVOID THAT,
...IS FOR THIS OIL TO FALL INTO JAPANESE HANDS.
A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT COULD BE CONCEIVABLE.
THEN...
IF THE AMERICAN POST-WAR PLAN IS CHANGED AND IF THE WAR ENDS IN EUROPE...
WE MUSTN'T LOSE THE WAR.
IF WE WANT TO MEDDLE IN THE PILLAGE OF ASIA THAT THE WESTERN COUNTRIES ARE INTENDING TO DO,

IF WE LET THIS OPPORTUNITY SLIP BY, JAPAN WILL BE FORCED INTO AN UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER...

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AT THIS TIME OF NIGHT... WHO COULD THAT BE ?
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THAT VOICE...
I'M SORRY TO INTRUDE THIS LATE AND SO SUDDENLY, BUT I'D LIKE TO TALK TO YOU.

PARDON ME, I'M A WIDOWER AND I DON'T HAVE MUCH TO OFFER...
HMM... MY FATHER...?

I THOUGHT THAT EVEN IF THE PERIOD WAS DIFFERENT, THIS COUNTRY WOULD REMAIN THE SAME AS THE ONE IN WHICH WE WERE BORN.
AND I WAS APPALLED BY THAT.
YOU SAID...
THAT WE WERE "OUTSIDE REALITY",
THE JAPAN FROM THIS PERIOD IS NOT THE JAPAN FROM WHICH WE CAME.
BUT ACTUALLY...
THE END OF THE WAR IN MY VERSION OF HISTORY AND WHAT YOU'RE HOPING FOR, WON'T BE ACHIEVED.
IT'S NOT THAT EASY .. EVEN IF WE DON'T DO ANYTHING,
THEREFORE, YOU'LL SIMPLY ACCEPT TO SIT BY AND ALLOW HISTORY TO CARRY ON?

THERE'S SOMEONE TRYING TO CHANGE HISTORY.
MR. YONAI...

I MUST KNOW WHERE FORMER LIEUTENANT-COMMANDER, TAKUMI KUSAKA, IS.
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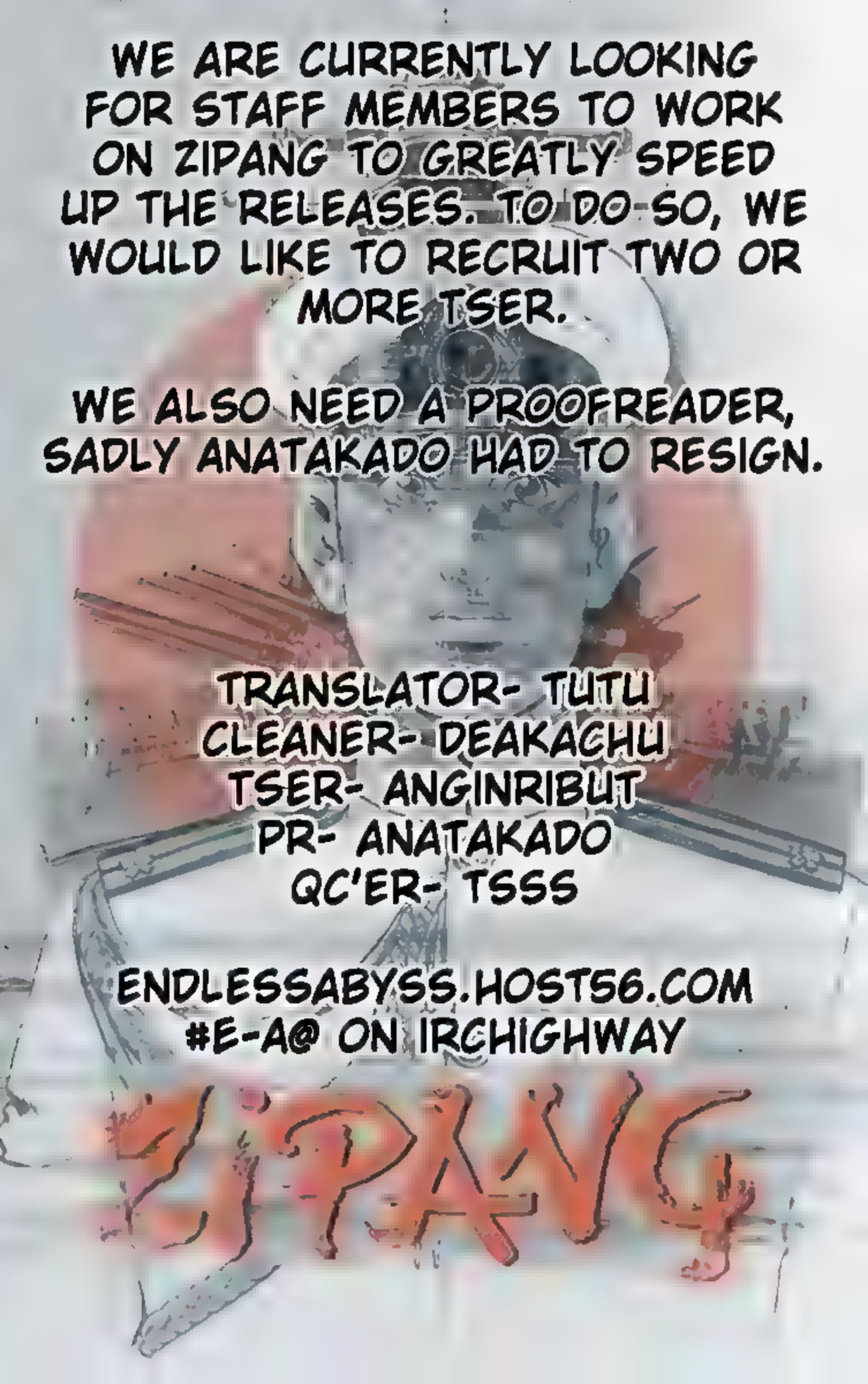
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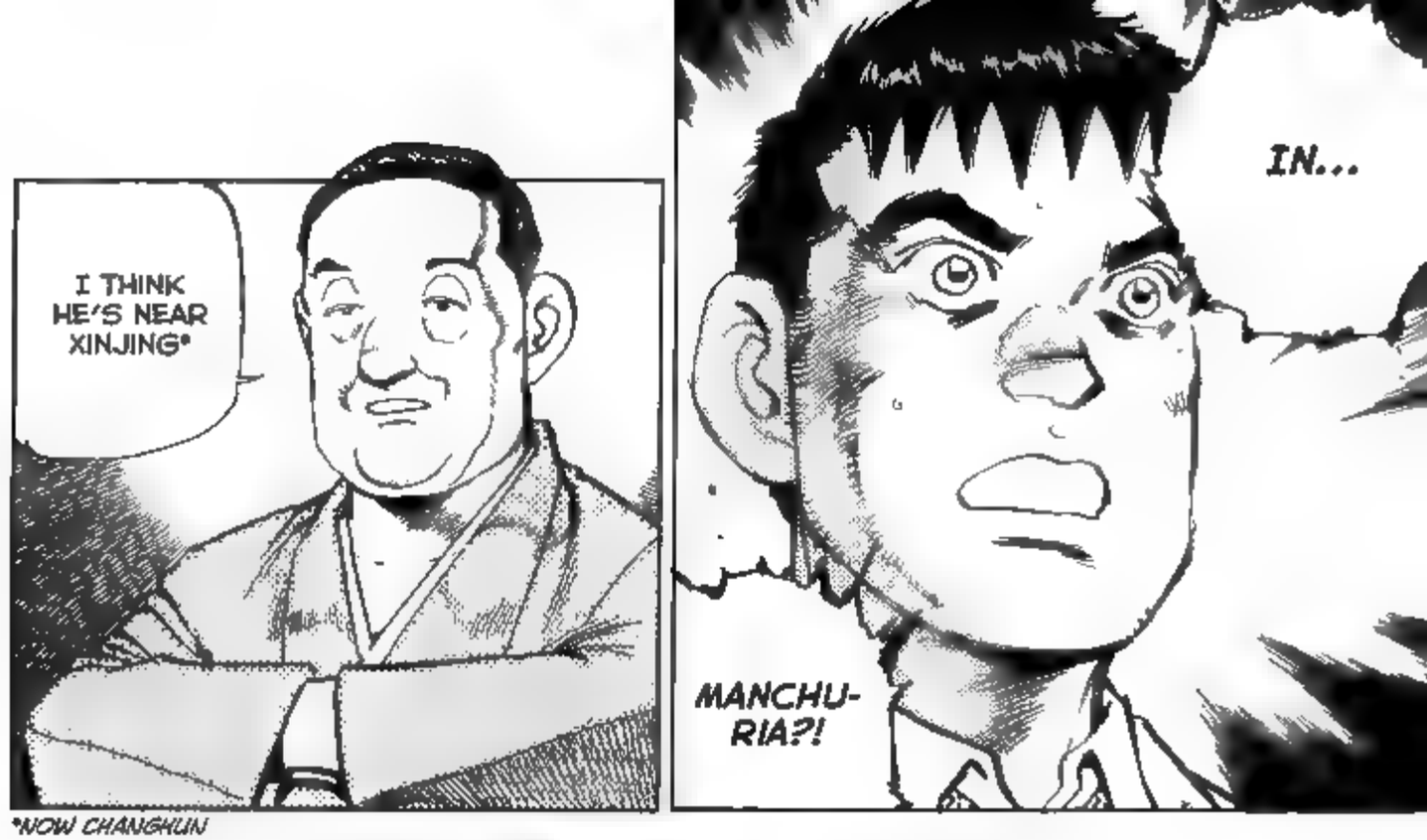

*NOW CHANGHUN

ISHIWARA WANTED MANCHURIA TO BECOME THE "UNITED STATES OF THE FAR EAST".

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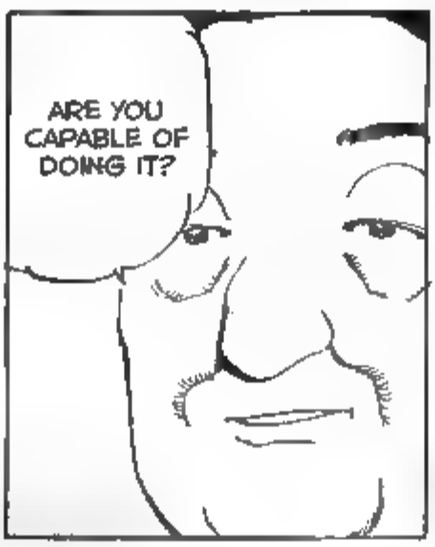

ARE YOU CAPABLE OF DOING IT?

I ALREADY KNOW THAT HE'S SEEN SOMEONE NAMED YOSHIMURA AT THE SOUTH-MANCHURIAN RAILWAY OFFICES, BUT...

WILL YOU BE ABLE TO KILL THE FORMER LIEUTENANT-COMMANDER, KUSAKA?

FOR JAPANESE PEOPLE, SO IGNORANT OF THE WORLD OUTSIDE,
IT'S AN UNATTAIN-ABLE DREAM.
"ODORA KUDO"* AND "GOZOKU-KYOWA"...**
ARE TWO IDEALS VERY DIFFICULT TO ACHIEVE FOR MANKIND.

T/N: *VIRTUOUS POLICY - STABLE TERRITORIES
**FIVE TERRITORIES IN HARMONY

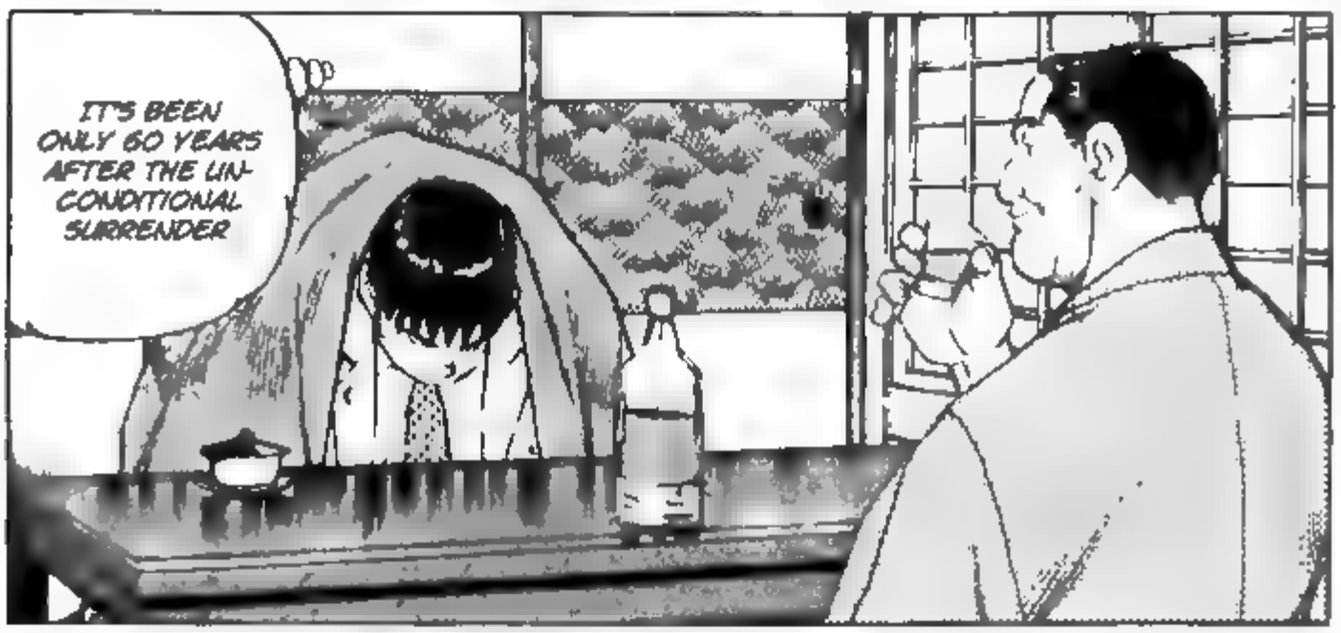
THIS BELIEF WAS CRUSHED, AND AFTER TAKING NOTE OF THE COMPLEXITY OF THE WORLD OUTSIDE, OUR COUNTRY IS TRYING TO MAKE ITS RIVALS ABIDE BY USING POWER.
THE DOWNFALL OF OUR COUNTRY WAS TO THINK THAT EVEN IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, THERE WAS ONE AND ONLY ONE JUSTICE...

IN HISTORY, MANCHURIA WOULD ONLY BE A STAIN FROM THE INVASION OF CHINA BY JAPAN.

REGARDLESS OF WHAT ISHIWARA COULD SAY, VERY FEW JAPANESE PEOPLE WOULD UNDERSTAND HIS IDEAL.

I THINK THAT YOU'RE TIRED...

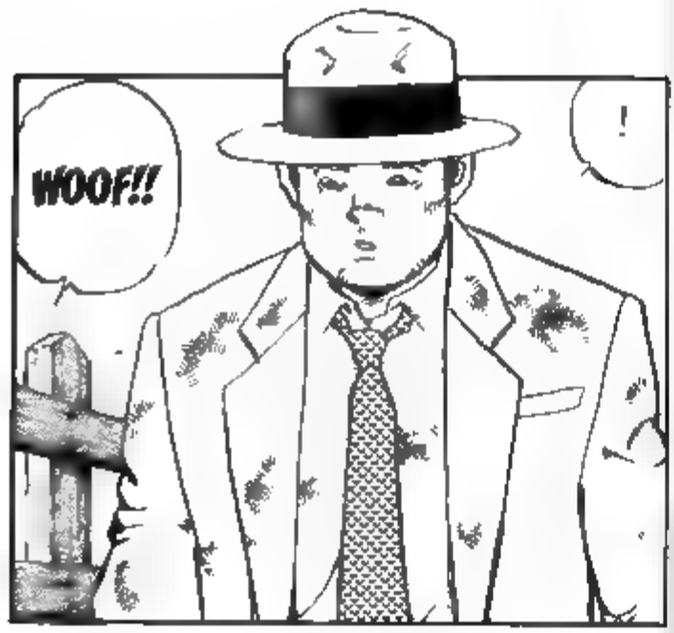
ARE FOREVER GONE.
IT'S TRUE THAT A COUNTRY THAT'S LOST THE WAR MAY THRIVE AFTER-WARDS... BUT THE LIVES LOST...


IT'S BEEN ONLY 60 YEARS AFTER THE UN-CONDITIONAL SURRENDER

MAYBE THE JAPANESE AREN'T SO BAD EITHER...
I THOUGHT IT WOULD TAKE LONGER...

BUT THE PRICE TO PAY IS AROUND THREE MILLION LIVES...

EVEN IF HISTORY SHEDS LIGHT ON WHAT HAPPENED AFTER-WARDS...
EVEN IF THIS COUNTRY IS THRIVING AGAIN...
FOR ME...
I'LL HAVE TO SPENT THE REST OF MY EXISTENCE IN PURGA-TORY... FOREVER!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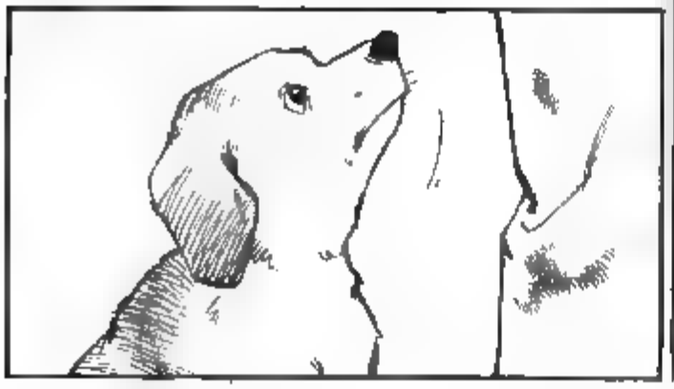
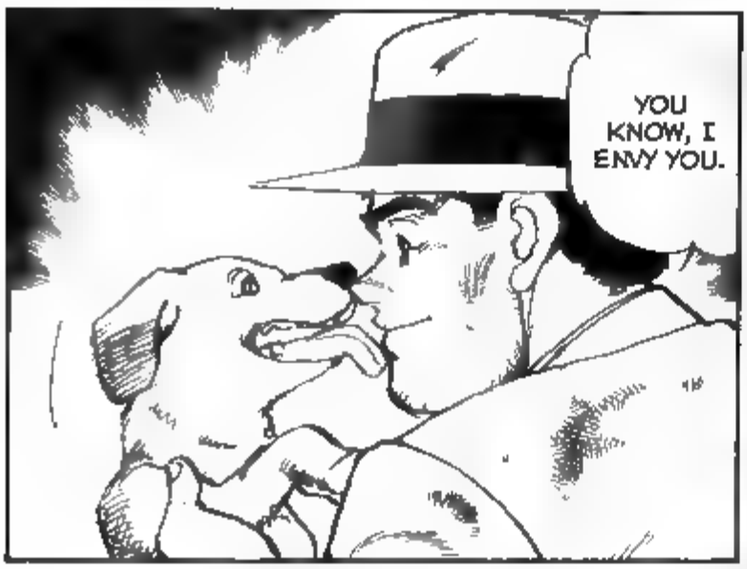
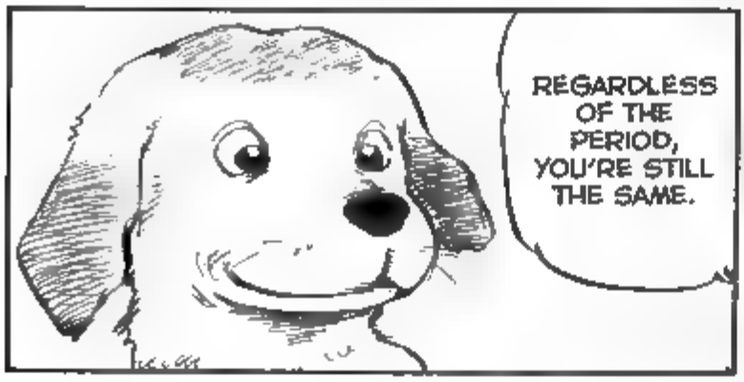
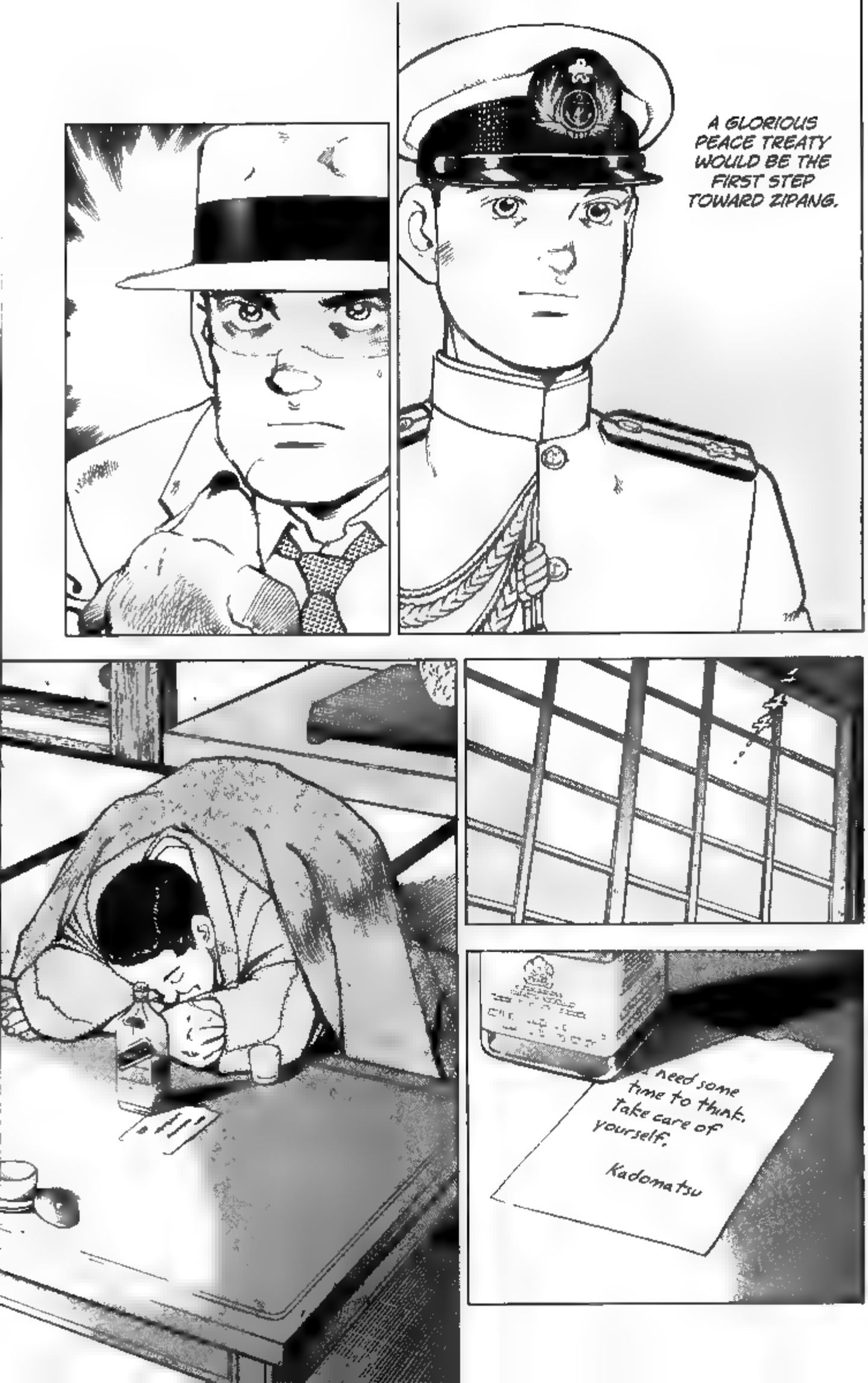
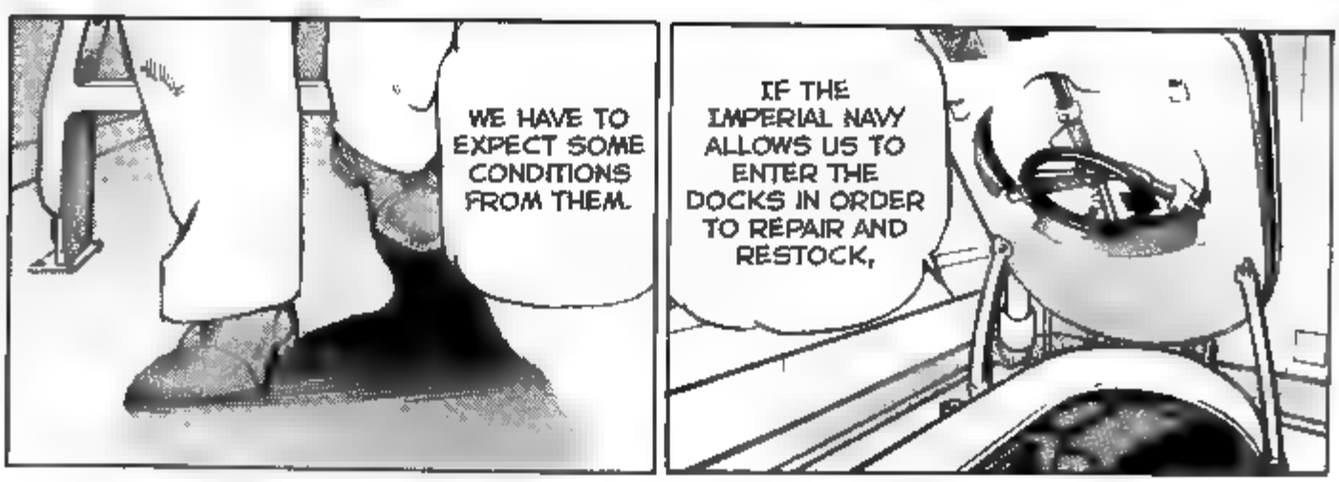



YOU KNOW, I ENVY YOU.

WOOF!!


REGARDLESS OF THE PERIOD, YOU'RE STILL THE SAME.


A GLORIOUS PEACE TREATY WOULD BE THE FIRST STEP TOWARD ZIPANG.
need some time to think. Take care of yourself.
Kadomatsu


WE HAVE TO EXPECT SOME CONDITIONS FROM THEM.
IF THE IMPERIAL NAVY ALLOWS US TO ENTER THE DOCKS IN ORDER TO REPAIR AND RESTOCK,

AND TAKING PART IN STRATEGIC MOVES...
FOR EXAMPLE, ASKING US TO TAKE ORDERS FROM THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE JOINT FLEET...

HOWEVER, I WANT US TO HAVE A LAST-RESORT SOLUTION...
AND TO GUARANTEE ITS SURVIVAL, THE MIRAI WOULDN'T HAVE ANY OTHER CHOICE THAN TO COMPLY WITH THEM...
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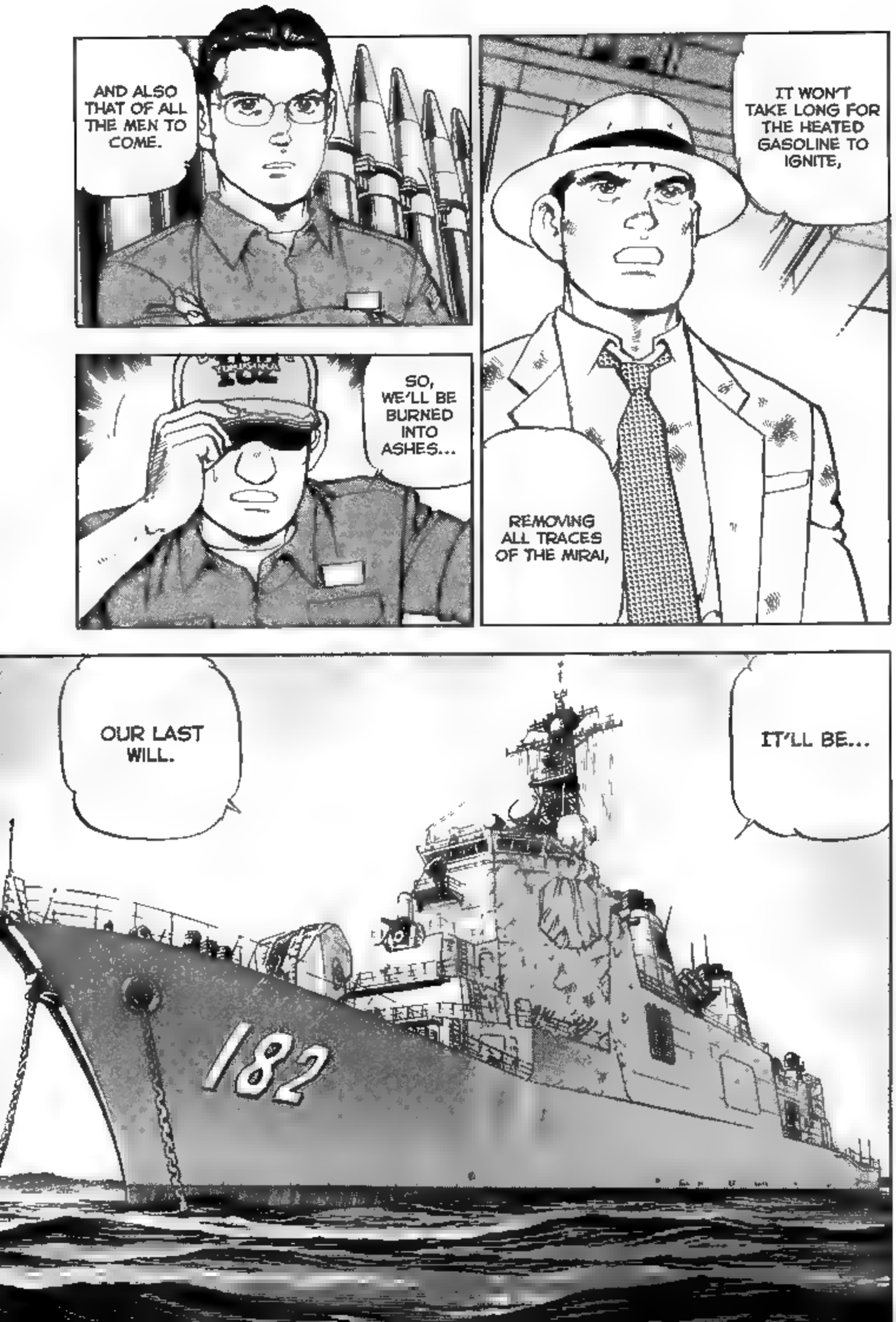
DANGER

C4
C4 EXPLOSIVES HAVE BEEN PLANTED IN MANY PLACES ON THE SHIP.
THIS EXPLOSIVE MECHANISM WILL AUTO-ENGAGE.
RIGHT AFTER BLASTING THE INFERIOR CONTROL PANELS OF THE AMMUNITIONS DEPOT, AND THOSE FROM THE TANKS IN FRONT AND AT THE REAR,
SO, BLOWING UP THE CONTROL PANELS TRIGGERS AN EXPLOSION INSIDE THE SHIP.
THE REACTION WOULD BE SUCH THAT IF THE WARHEADS OF THESE HMX BOMBS WERE TO EXPLODE, THERE'D BE A BLAST AT THE SPEED OF 9200M/SEC, AND A FLAME TEMPERATURE ABOVE 4500°C WOULD FOLLOW.


AND ALSO THAT OF ALL THE MEN TO COME.
IT WON'T TAKE LONG FOR THE HEATED GASOLINE TO IGNITE,
SO, WE'LL BE BURNED INTO ASHES...
REMOVING ALL TRACES OF THE MIRAI,
OUR LAST WILL.
IT'LL BE...
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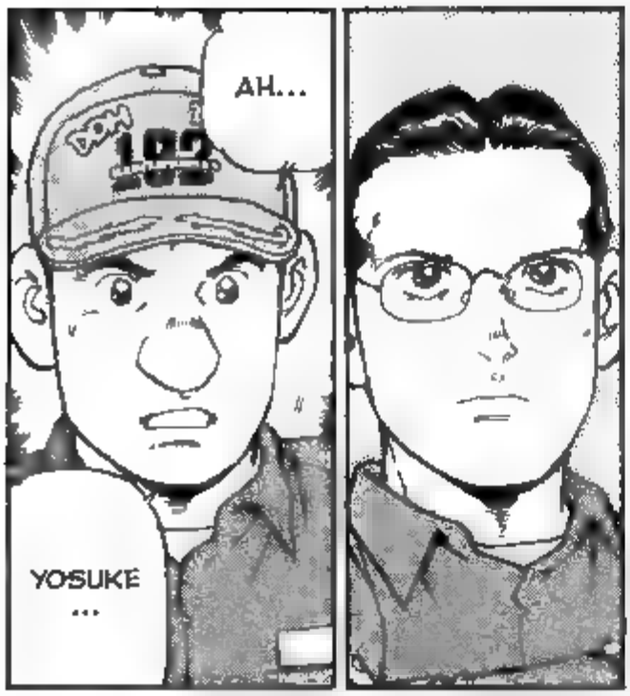
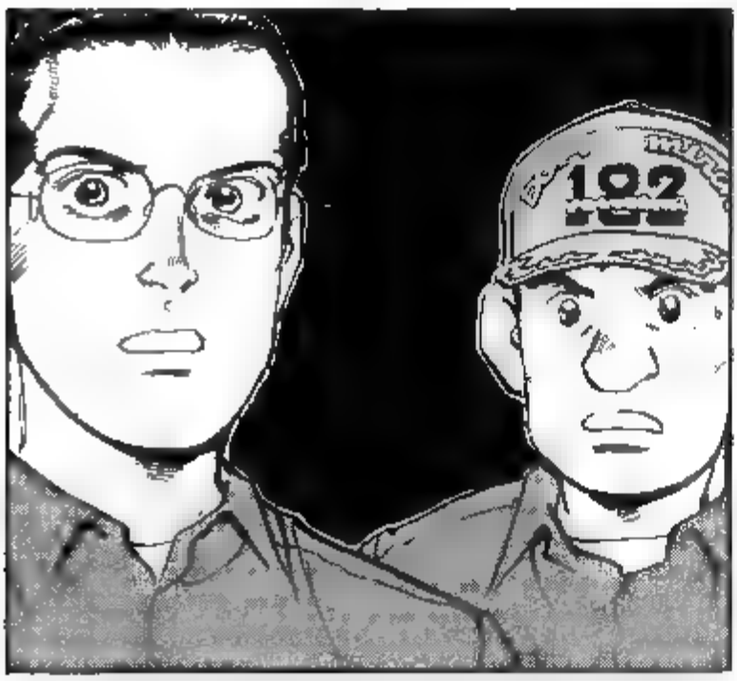
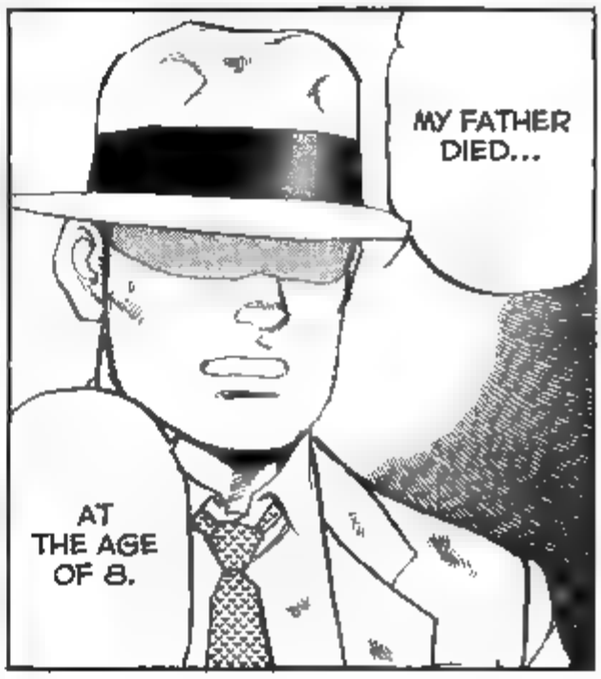

AH...
YOSUKE ...

THIS TRANSPONDER WILL ENGAGE THE MECHANISM.
AS THE COMMANDER OF THIS SHIP, CAPTAIN UMEZU HAD ASKED ME TO DO IT.

WHAT DID YOU REPORT TO THE CAPTAIN?
WHAT HAPPENED IN FUKAGAWA?




MY FATHER DIED...
AT THE AGE OF 8.

WHAT DOES THAT MEAN? KIKUCHI!
WHAT?
.....
THE CHANGES IN HISTORY, WHICH WE TRIGGERED, CAN'T BE UNDONE ANYMORE...
IN OTHER WORDS, A COMPLETELY DIFFERENT WORLD'S BEING CREATED.
IT'S KUSAKA AND I...
WHO ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS!

THE ONE WHO'S IN LIEU OF THE COMMANDER OF THIS SHIP WILL HAVE TO KEEP THIS.
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TAKE IT.

SHOULDN'T YOU GIVE IT TO MASAYUKI?
WH-WHAT? WAIT A MINUTE !
YOU'RE THE NEW COMMANDER OF THIS SHIP.
NO.
YOU...
REALLY! I DON'T WANT TO TAKE ON A FUNCTION THAT COULD HINDER MY FREEDOM OF SPEECH.
YES...
YOSUKE... YOU'LL FOLLOW KUSAKA, WON'T YOU?

!!
I'M GOING TO MANCHURIA.

IN MY LEAVE,
TAKE CARE OF THE CAPTAIN AND OF THE CREW.

THE FISH IS LEAVING ITS JAR...
MANCHU-RIA...

IT'LL TAKE YOU A MONTH... MAYBE TWO.

Wake 69/End

A SHAMELESS E-A
RECRUITMENT PAGE
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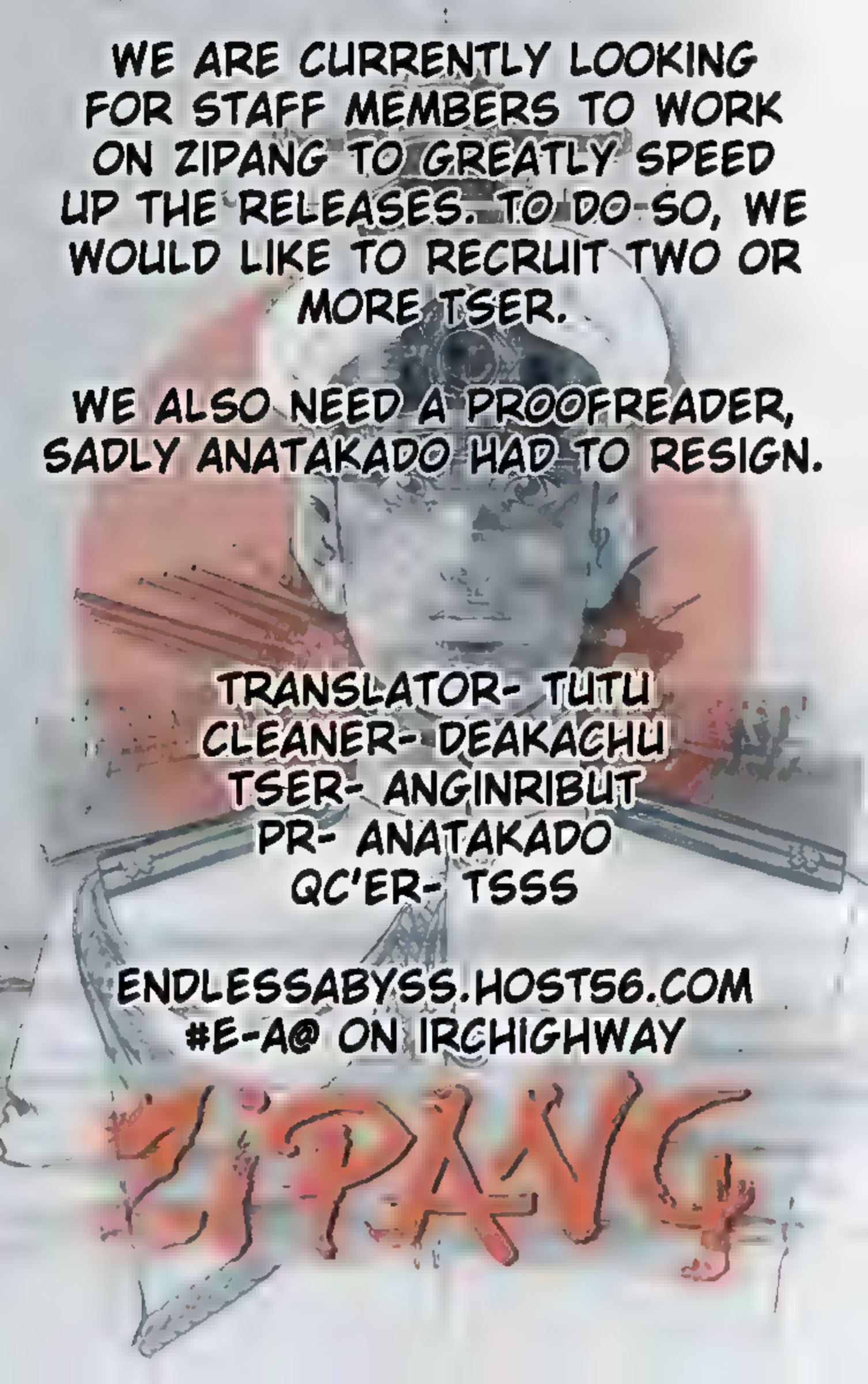
HTTP://Z15.INVISIONFREE.COM/ENDLESS_ABYSS
WANT TO GET FASTER
RELEASES?
COME AND JOIN US!
WE ARE CURRENTLY
LOOKING FOR
TRANSLATORS, EDITORS,
TYPESETTERS AND
CLEANERS. YOU DON'T
EVEN NEED PREVIOUS
EXPERIENCE.


WE ARE CURRENTLY LOOKING FOR STAFF MEMBERS TO WORK ON ZIPANG TO GREATLY SPEED UP THE RELEASES. TO DO SO, WE WOULD LIKE TO RECRUIT TWO OR MORE TSER.
WE ALSO NEED A PROOFREADER, SADLY ANATAKADO HAD TO RESIGN.
TRANSLATOR- TUTU
CLEANER- DEAKACHU
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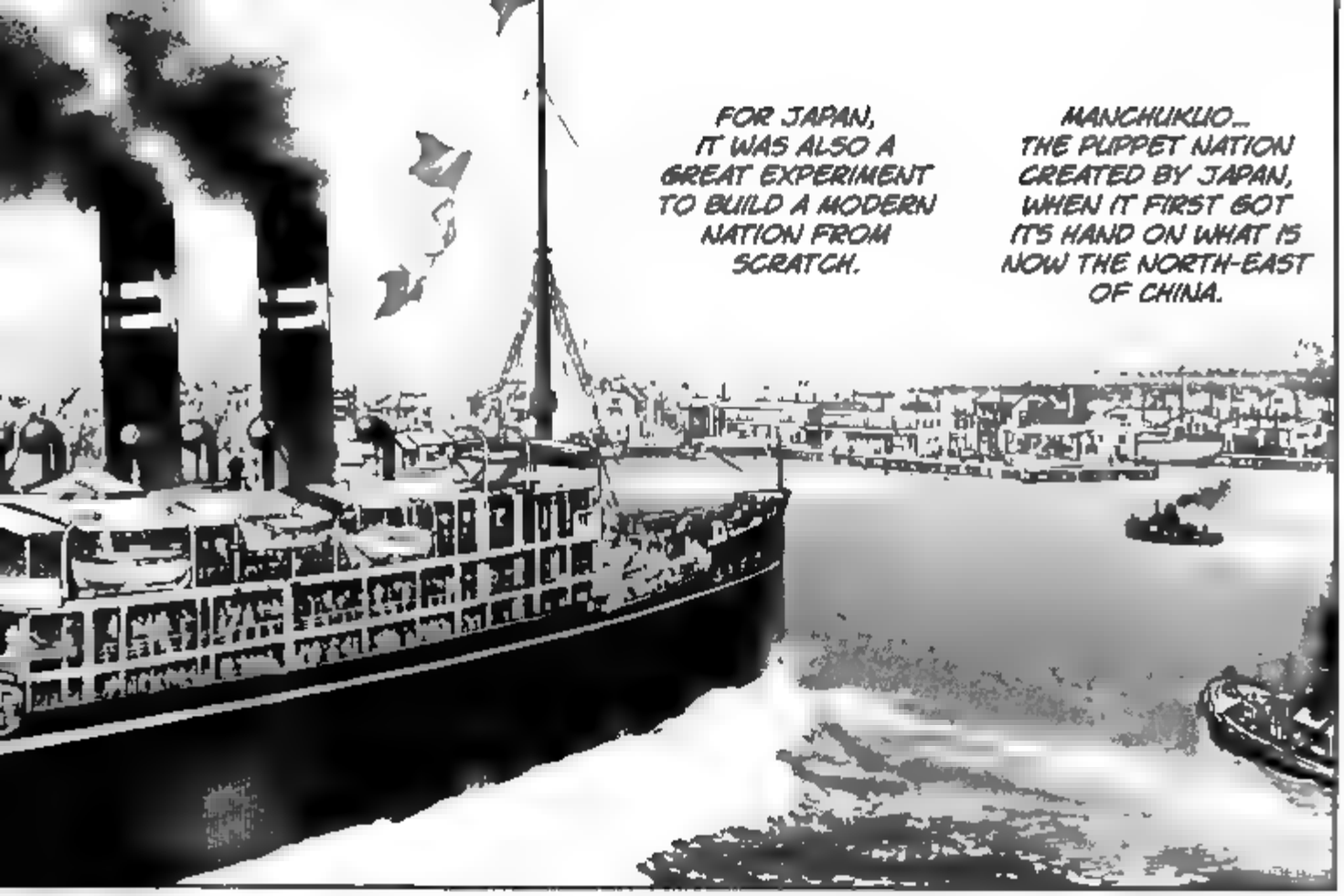
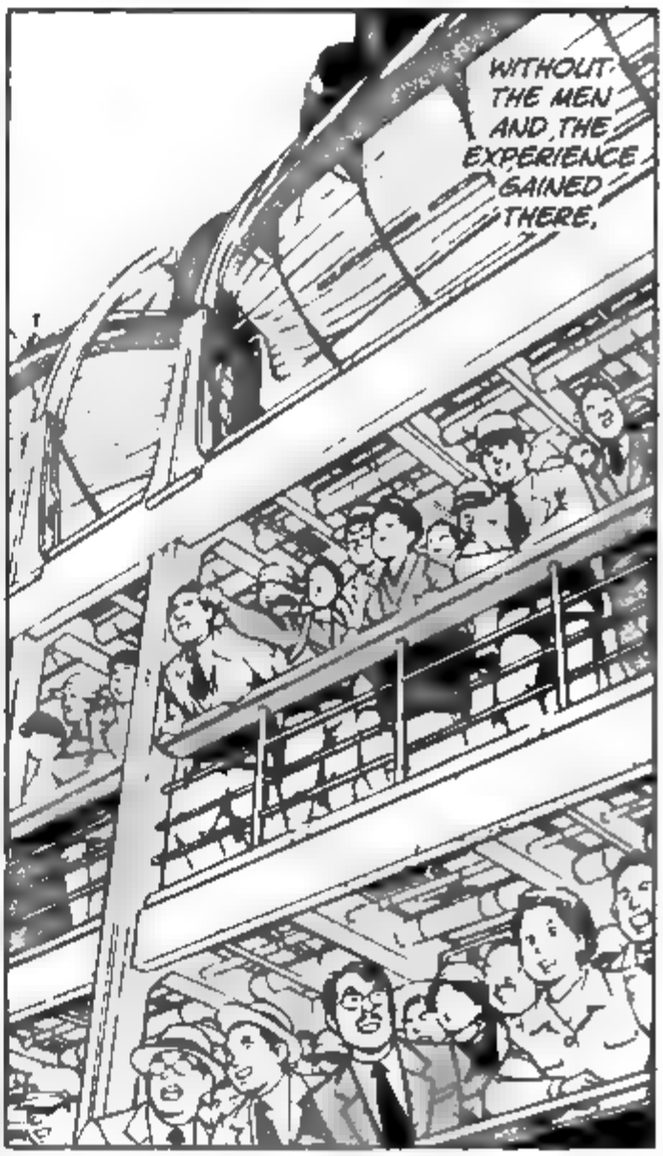
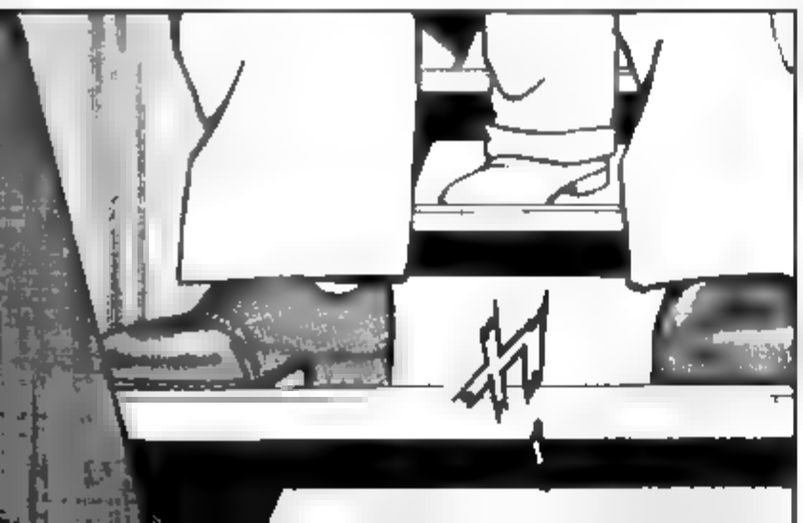
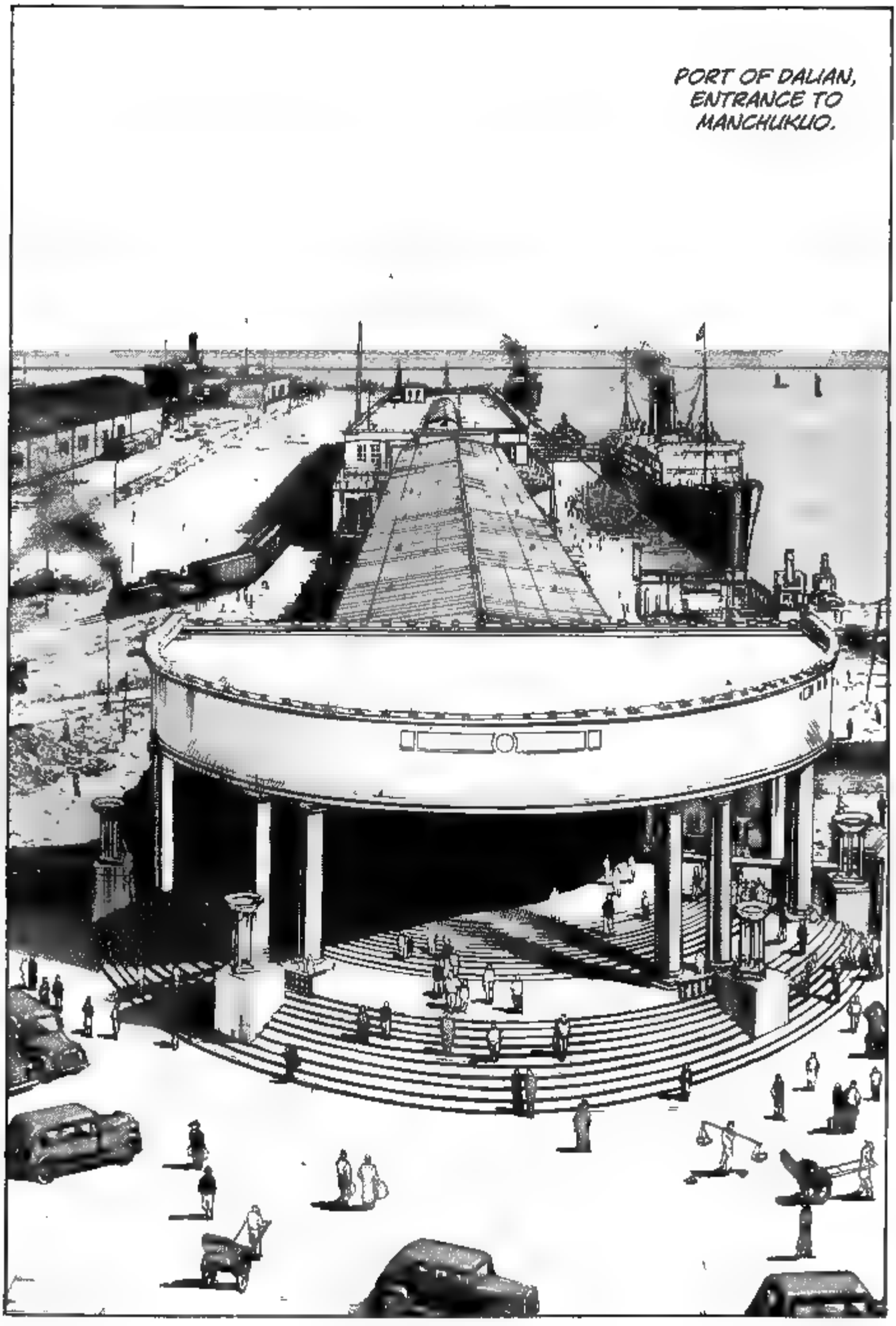

FOR JAPAN, IT WAS ALSO A GREAT EXPERIMENT TO BUILD A MODERN NATION FROM SCRATCH.
MANCHUKUO... THE PUPPET NATION CREATED BY JAPAN, WHEN IT FIRST GOT ITS HAND ON WHAT IS NOW THE NORTH-EAST OF CHINA.

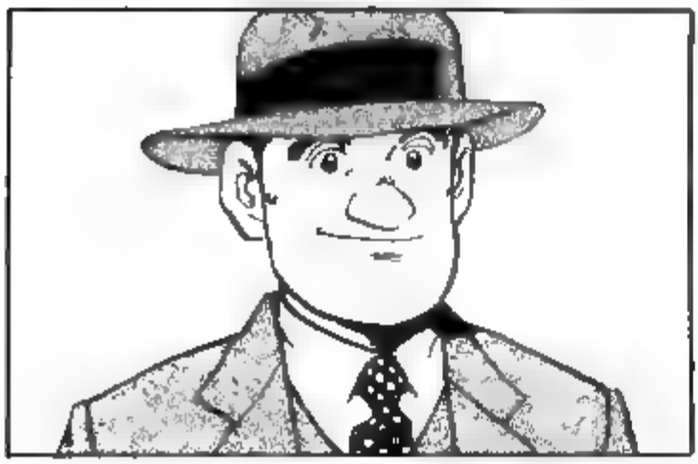
JAPAN WOULD NEVER HAVE RECOVERED AS FAST AS IT HAD DONE, SO, AFTER THE WAR

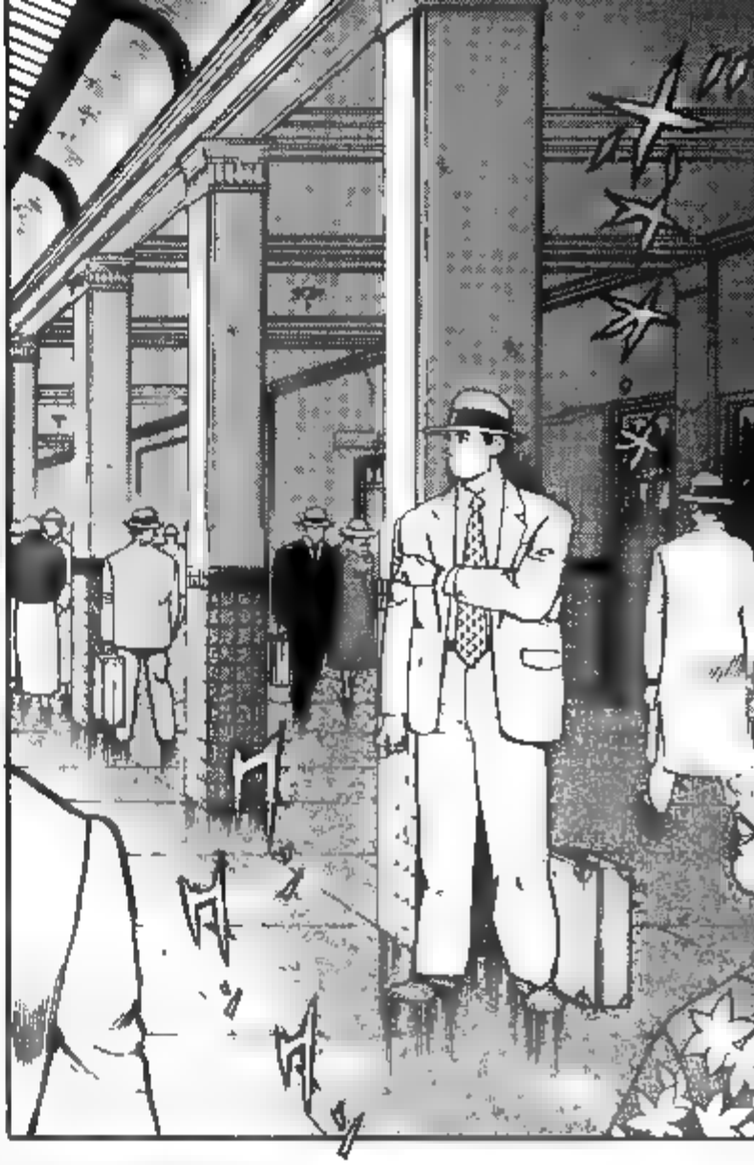

WITHOUT THE MEN AND THE EXPERIENCE GAINED THERE,

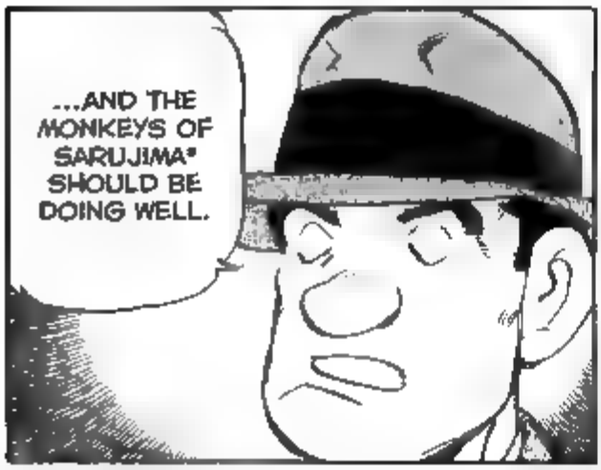


WAKE 70
IN DALIAN


PORT OF DALIAN,
ENTRANCE TO
MANCHUKUO.

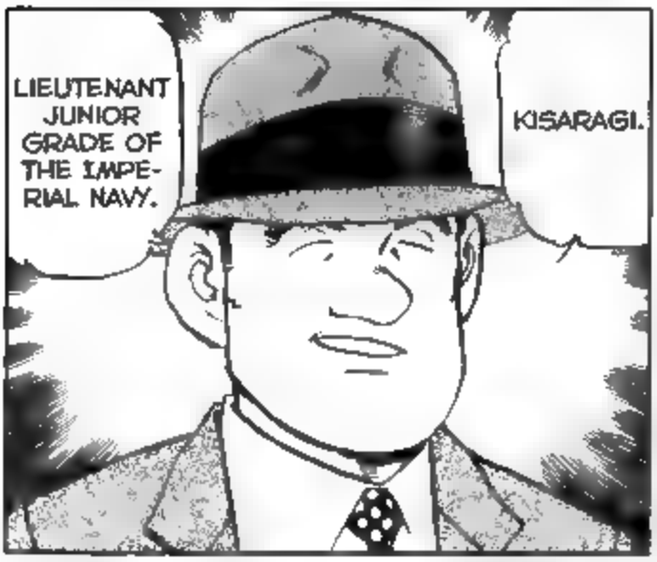






TN: *"THE ISLAND OF MONKEYS" IN JAPANESE

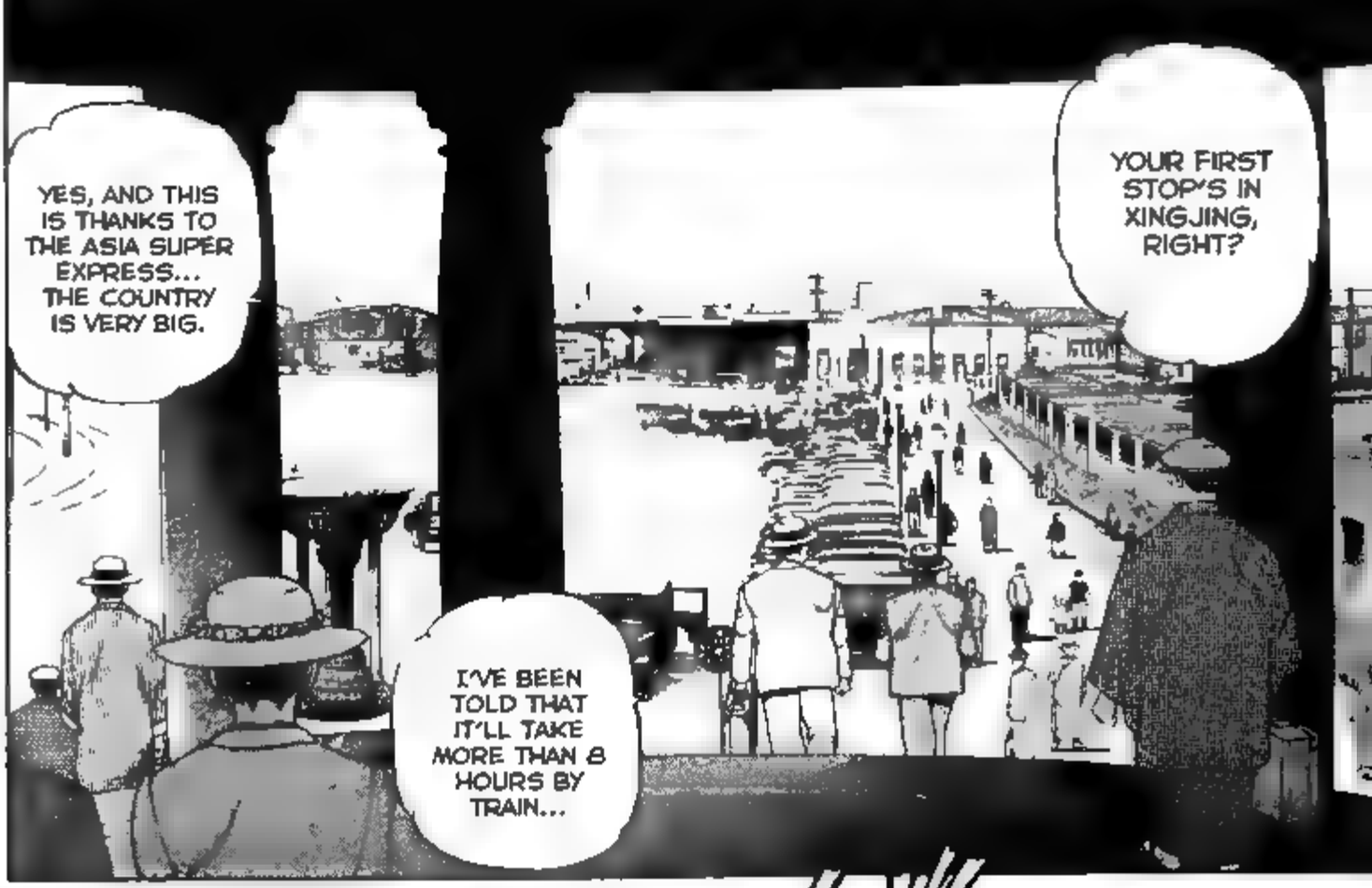
...
NO, FOR THERE IS NOT A SINGLE MONKEY IN SARUJIMA.

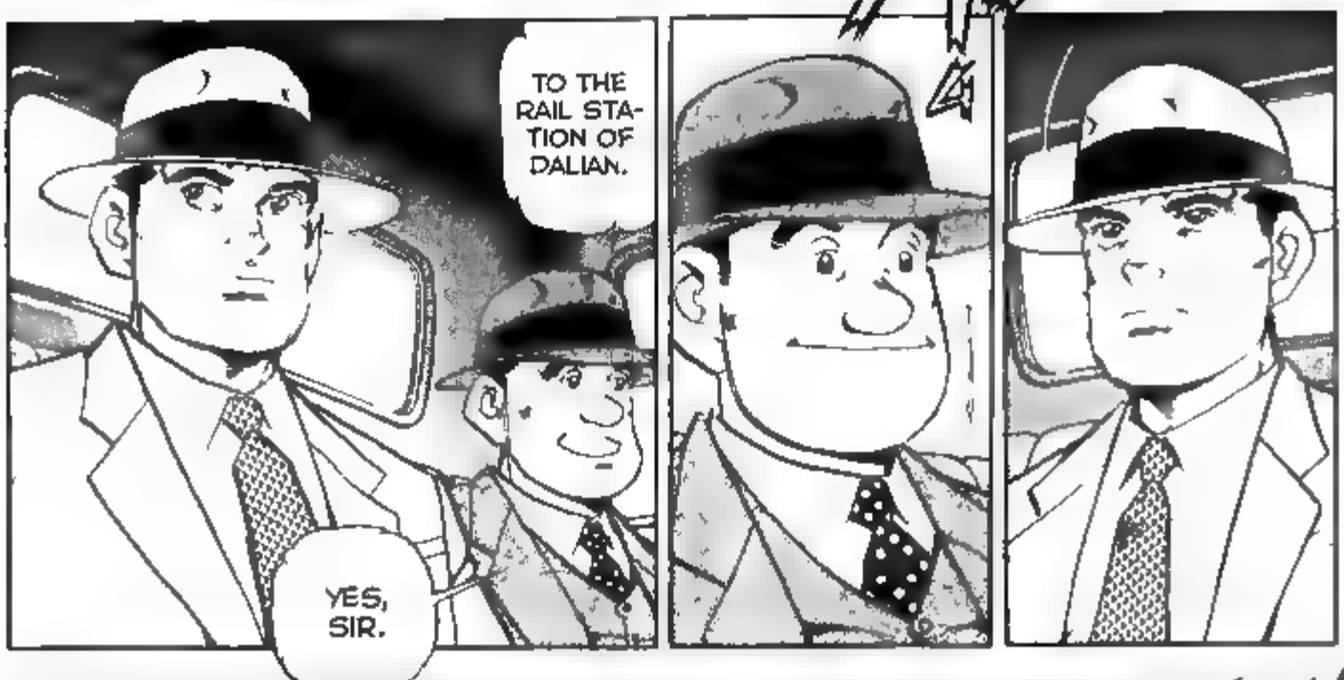

LIEUTENANT JUNIOR GRADE OF THE IMPERIAL NAVY.
KISARAGI.

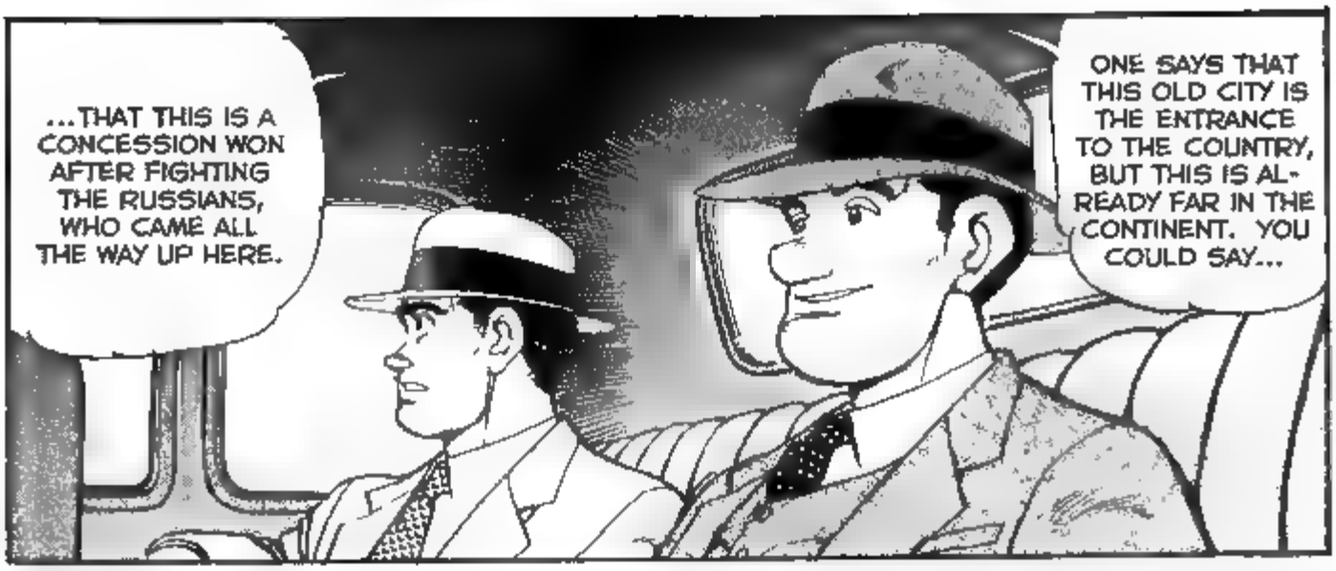
YOSUKE KADOMATSU.

THANK YOU.
WELCOME TO MANCHUKUO.

A FOUR-DAY JOURNEY FROM KOBE; YOU MUST BE TIRED.

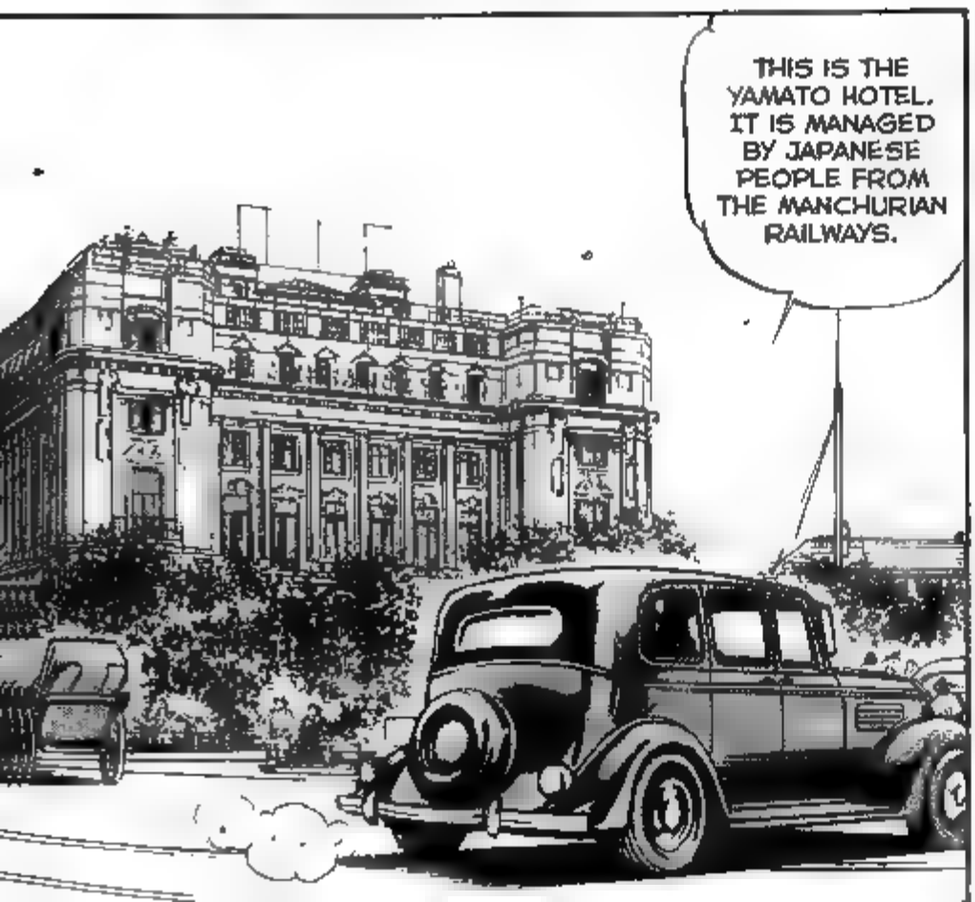

YOUR FIRST STOP'S IN XINGJING, RIGHT?
YES, AND THIS IS THANKS TO THE ASIA SUPER EXPRESS... THE COUNTRY IS VERY BIG.
I'VE BEEN TOLD THAT IT'LL TAKE MORE THAN 8 HOURS BY TRAIN...


TO THE RAIL STATION OF DALIAN.
YES, SIR.


...THAT THIS IS A CONCESSION WON AFTER FIGHTING THE RUSSIANS, WHO CAME ALL THE WAY UP HERE.
ONE SAYS THAT THIS OLD CITY IS THE ENTRANCE TO THE COUNTRY, BUT THIS IS ALREADY FAR IN THE CONTINENT. YOU COULD SAY...

IT IS SAID THAT IN ADMIRATION OF THE FRENCH CAPITAL CITY, THEY WANTED THIS CITY TO BE THE PARIS OF THE FAR-EAST.
THE STAR-SHAPED IMAGES OF THESE BIG AVENUES, COMING FROM A LARGE PLACE, IS EXACTLY THE SAME AS THOSE IN PARIS.

TN: *NOW KNOWN AS XINSHAI.

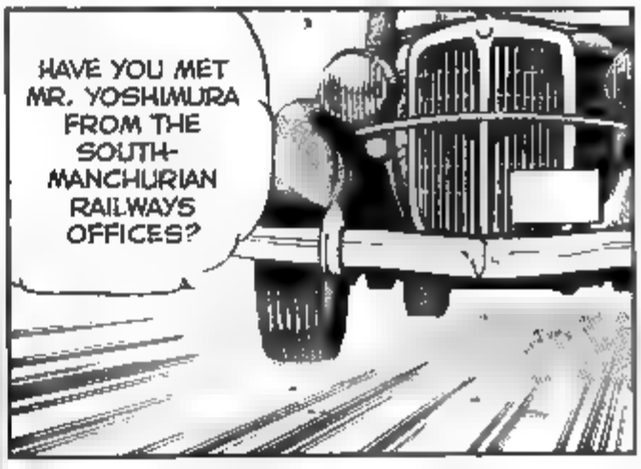


I WENT TO THE HOME AFFAIRS OFFICE IN XINJING,
BUT THEY HAD NO TRACES OF A JAPANESE MAN NAMED KUSAKA, WHO WOULD HAVE ENTERED MANCHUKUO.

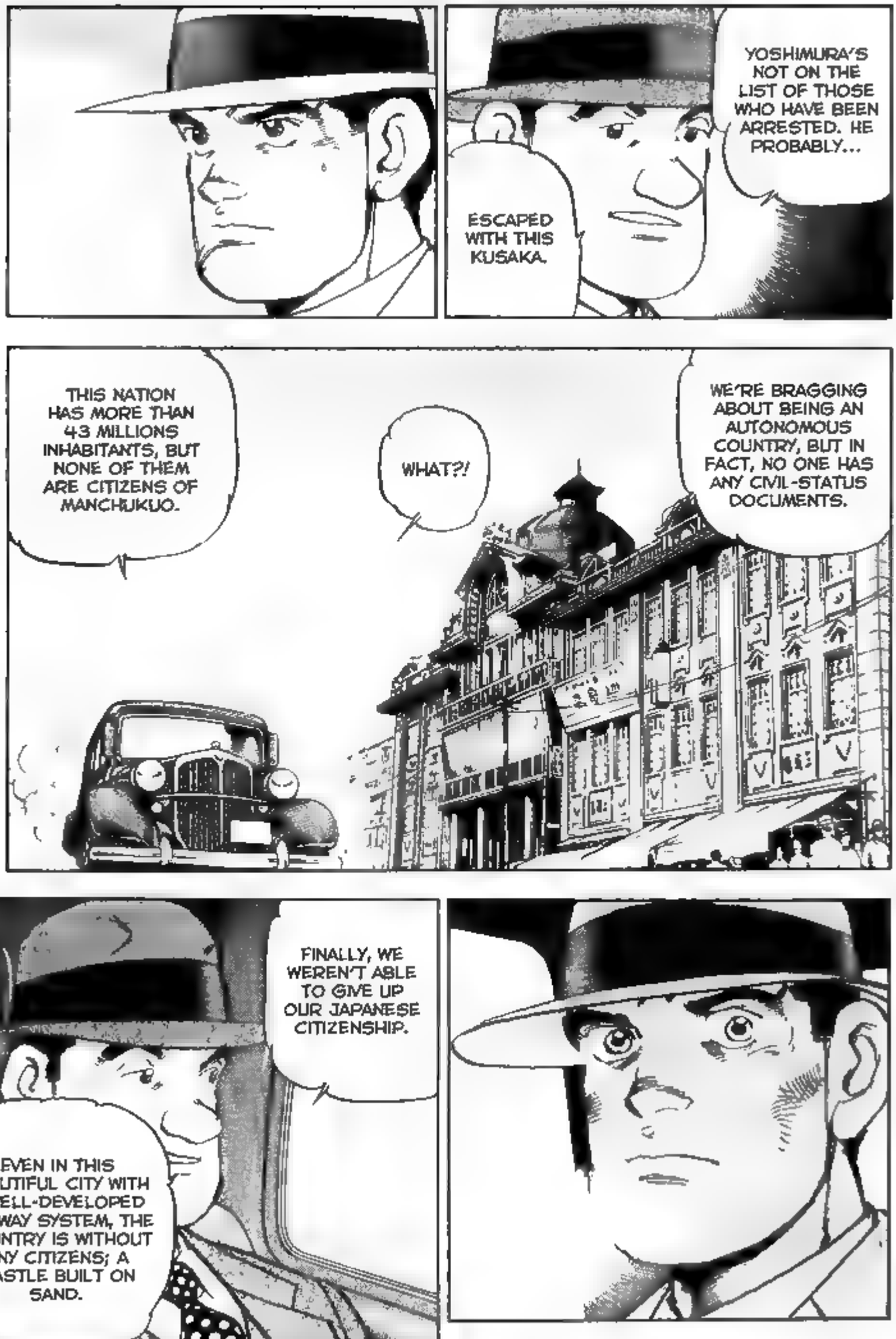
I SUPPOSE MR YONAI ALREADY TOLD YOU ABOUT THAT, BUT HAVE YOU ANY INFORMATION ON TAKUMI KUSAKA?

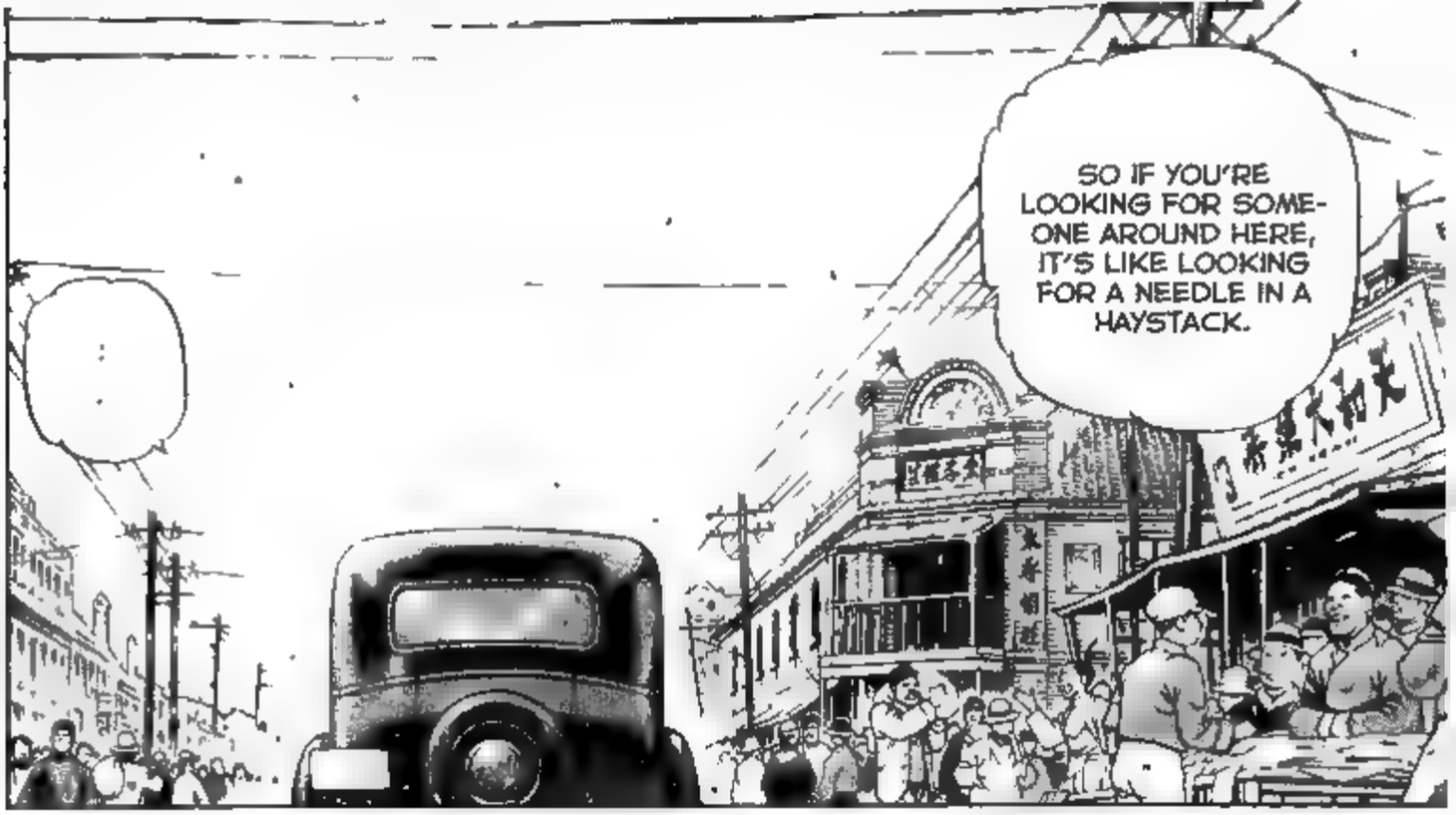
SO, HE'S BEEN USING A FAKE NAME.

DISAP-PEARED?!
YES. IT IS KNOWN THAT THERE ARE LOTS OF INTELLECTUALS IN THE SOUTH-MANCHURIAN RAILWAYS OFFICES, SO THEY ARE UNDER STRICT SURVEILLANCE BY THE ARMED FORCES DUE TO THEIR SYMPATHY TOWARD COMMUNISTS. THE TRUTH IS THAT THEY ARE IN DIRE STRAITS.

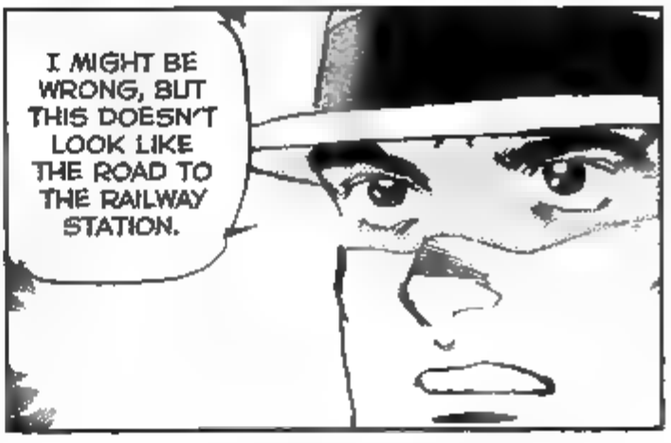

HAVE YOU MET MR. YOSHIMURA FROM THE SOUTH-MANCHURIAN RAILWAYS OFFICES?

I TRIED TO, BUT HE DIS-APPEARED.

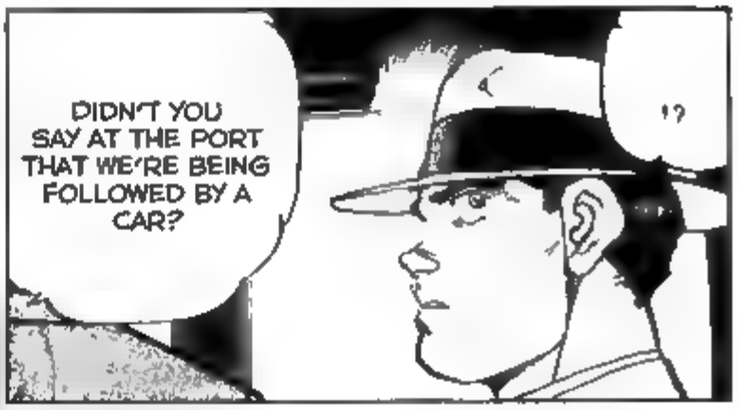

YOSHIMURA'S NOT ON THE LIST OF THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN ARRESTED. HE PROBABLY...
ESCAPED WITH THIS KUSAKA.
THIS NATION HAS MORE THAN 43 MILLIONS INHABITANTS, BUT NONE OF THEM ARE CITIZENS OF MANCHUKUO.
WHAT?!
WE'RE BRAGGING ABOUT BEING AN AUTONOMOUS COUNTRY, BUT IN FACT, NO ONE HAS ANY CIVIL-STATUS DOCUMENTS.
FINALLY, WE WEREN'T ABLE TO GIVE UP OUR JAPANESE CITIZENSHIP.
EVEN IN THIS BEAUTIFUL CITY WITH A WELL-DEVELOPED RAILWAY SYSTEM, THE COUNTRY IS WITHOUT ANY CITIZENS; A CASTLE BUILT ON SAND.


SO IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR SOMEONE AROUND HERE, IT'S LIKE LOOKING FOR A NEEDLE IN A HAYSTACK.

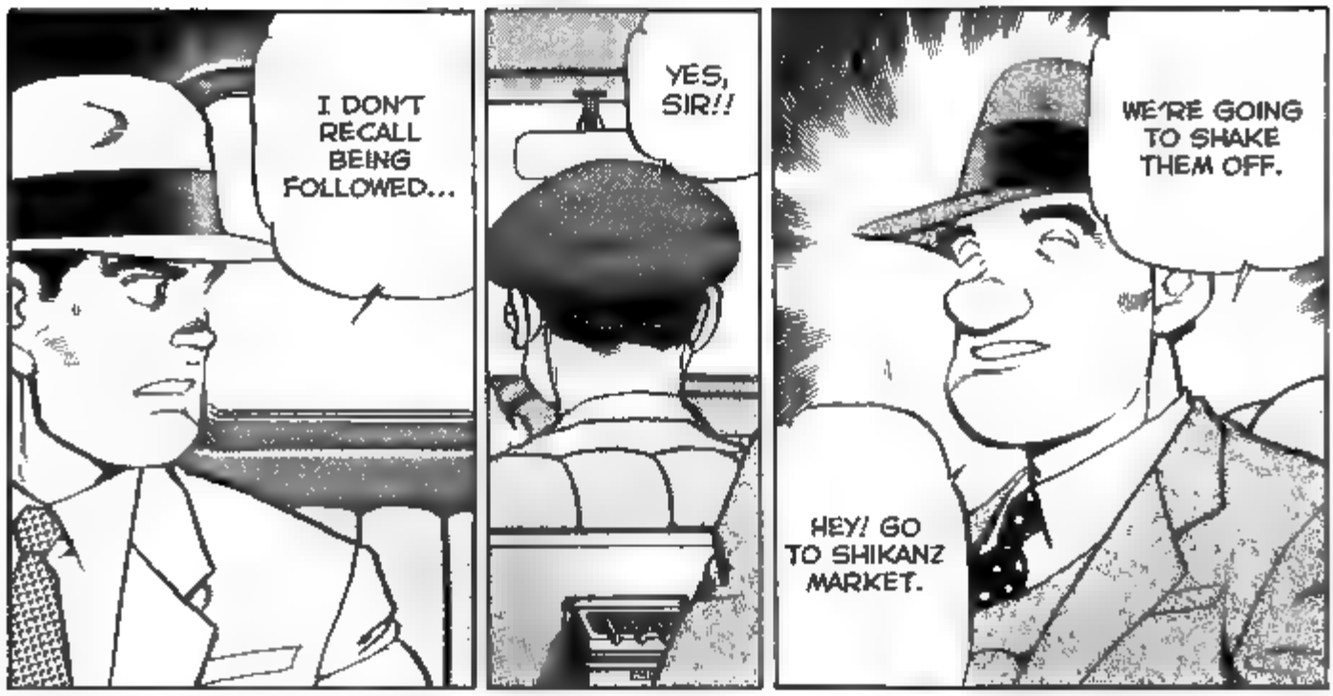
WE'RE TAKING A SLIGHT DETOUR.

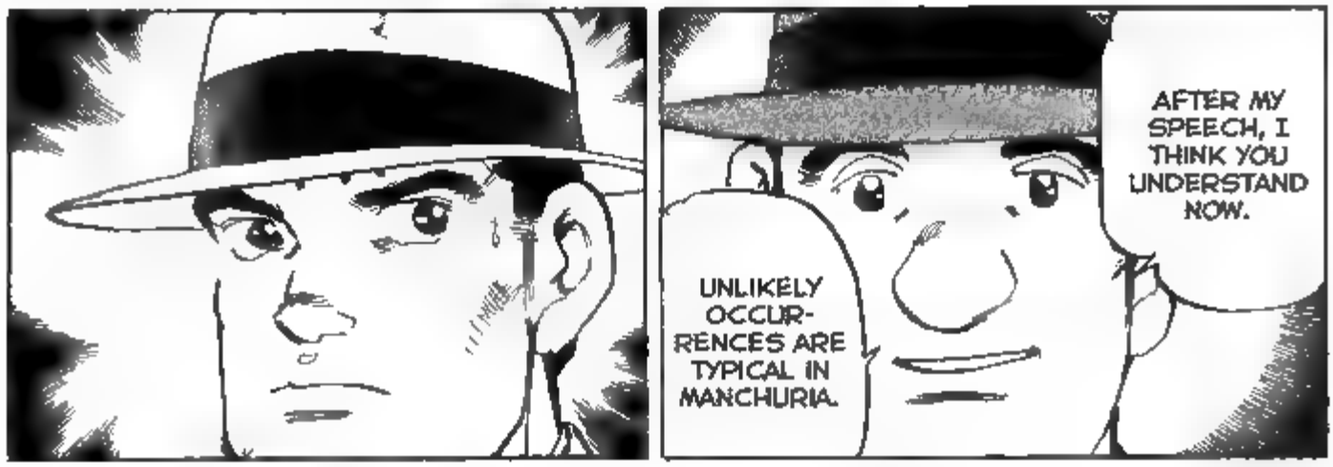

I MIGHT BE WRONG, BUT THIS DOESN'T LOOK LIKE THE ROAD TO THE RAILWAY STATION.

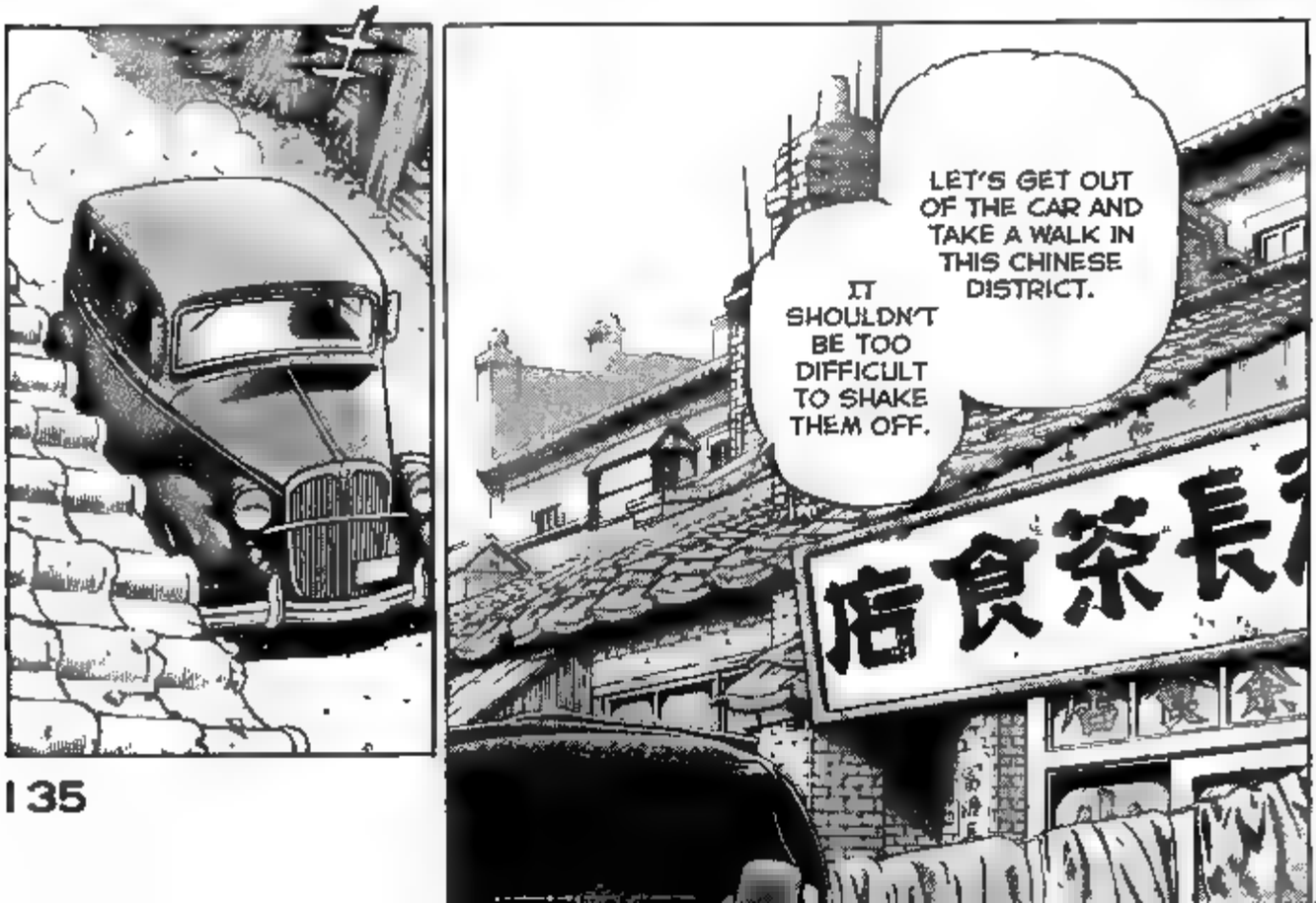
TRY NOT TO LOOK BACK.


DIDN'T YOU SAY AT THE PORT THAT WE'RE BEING FOLLOWED BY A CAR?
!?

WHAT?!

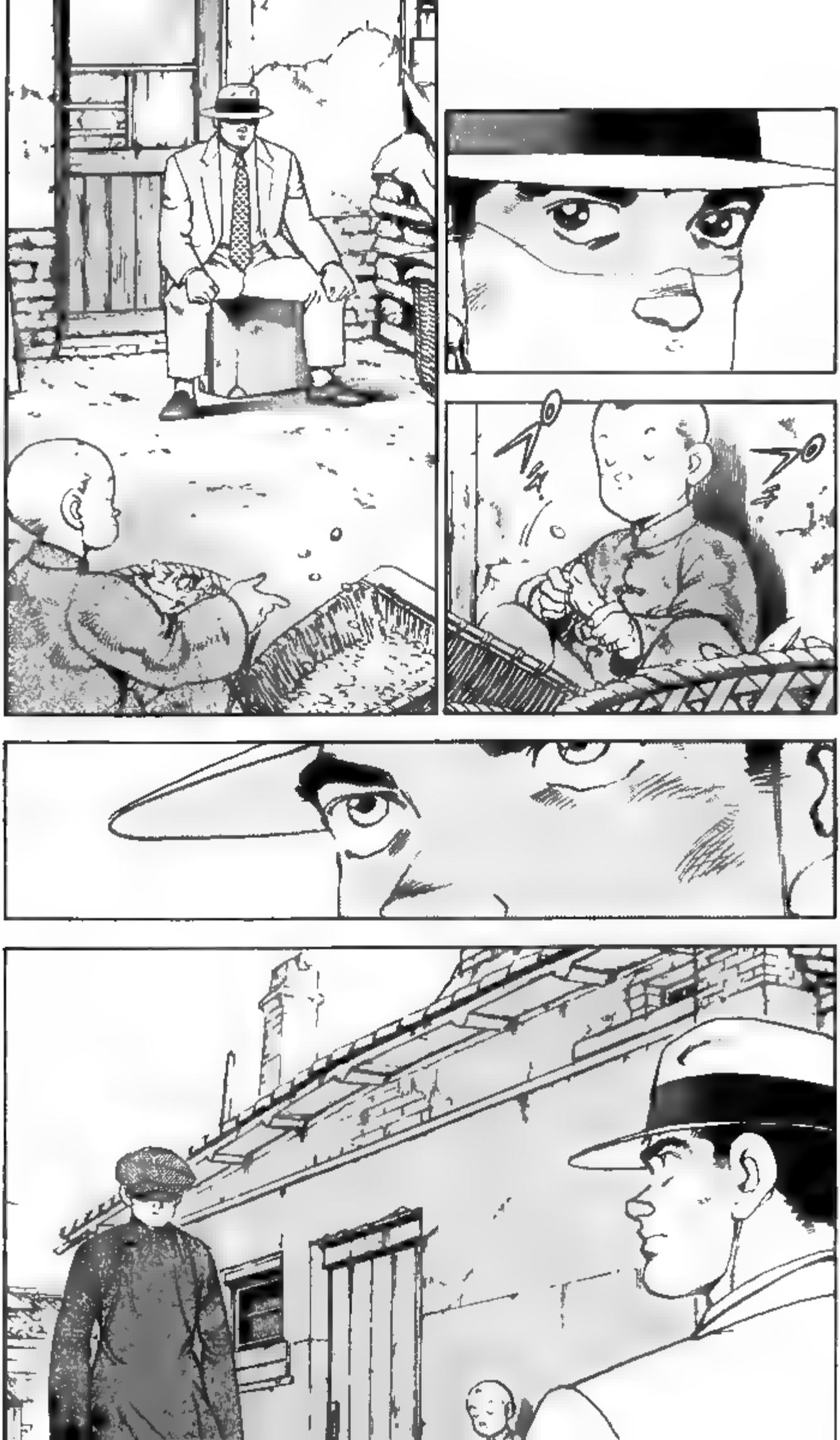

I DON'T RECALL BEING FOLLOWED...
YES, SIR!!
WE'RE GOING TO SHAKE THEM OFF.
HEY! GO TO SHIKANZ MARKET.


AFTER MY SPEECH, I THINK YOU UNDERSTAND NOW.
UNLIKELY OCCUR-RENCES ARE TYPICAL IN MANCHURIA.


LET'S GET OUT OF THE CAR AND TAKE A WALK IN THIS CHINESE DISTRICT.
IT SHOULDN'T BE TOO DIFFICULT TO SHAKE THEM OFF.
店食茶長

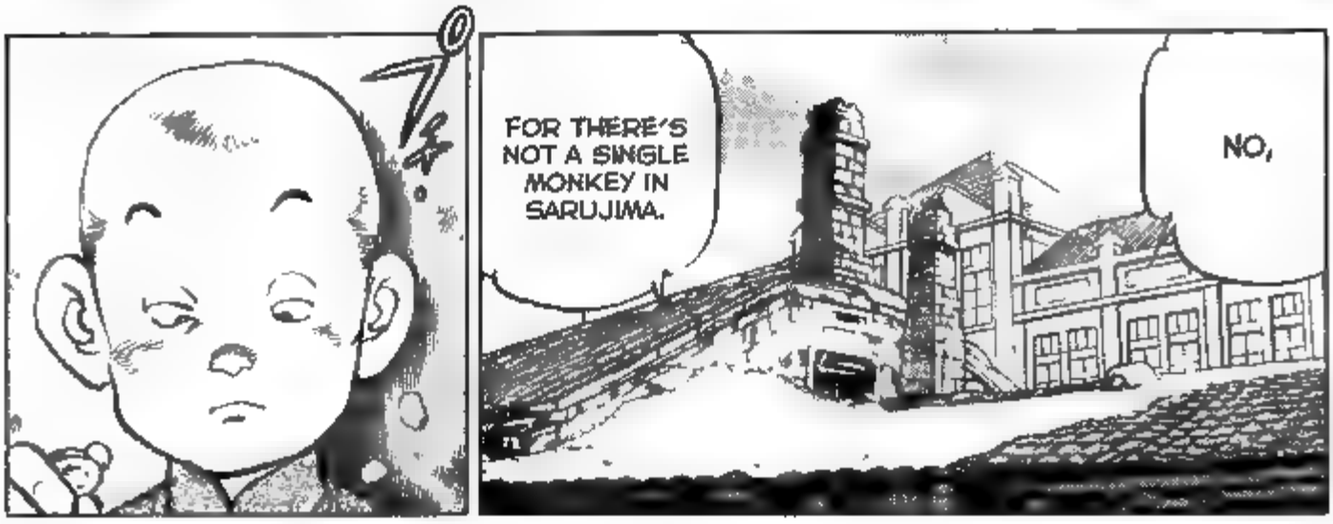
AROUND THE CORNER
NOW, LET'S LEAVE THIS PLACE AND GO TO THE RAILWAY STATION.
?
SHIT!

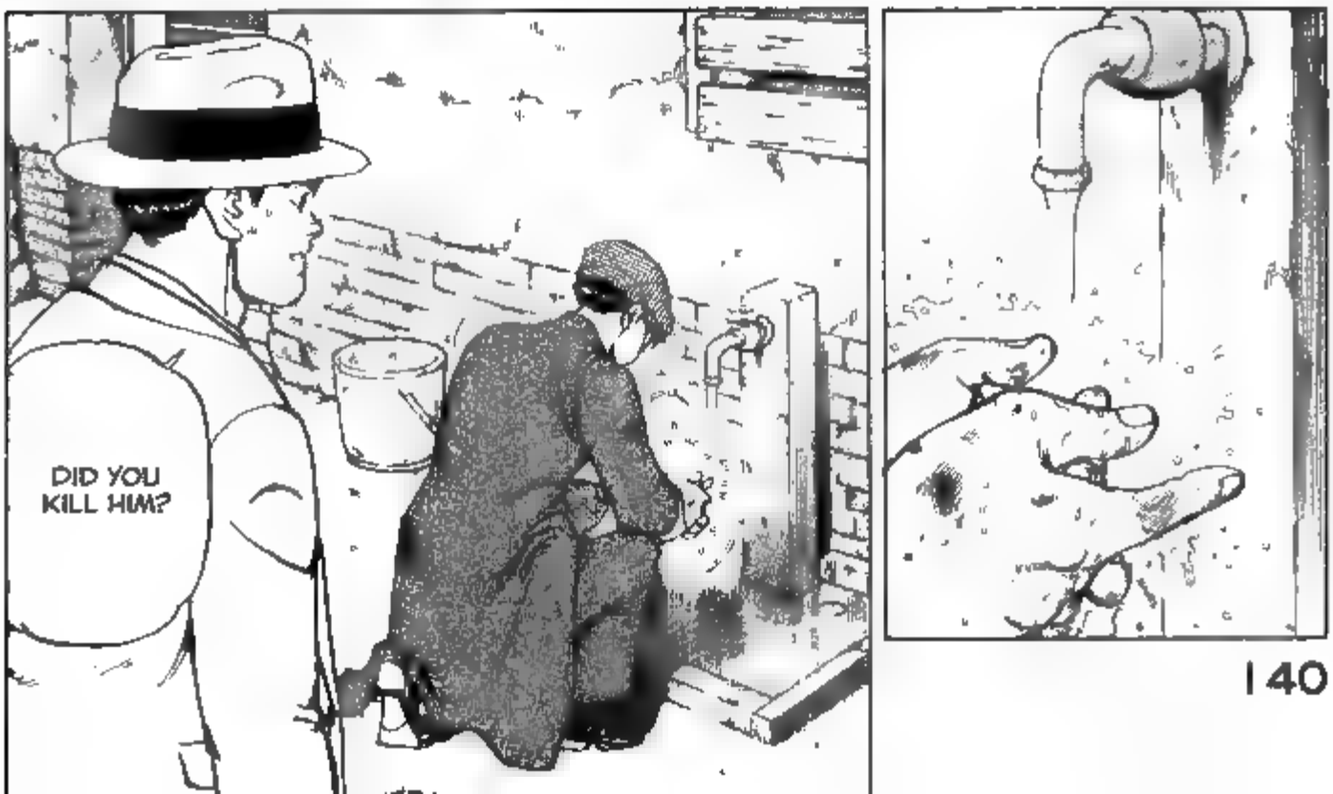
AH!
MPF!
MPF!
MPF!
HUH?!
BE A LITTLE MORE CARE-FUL!
BUT .

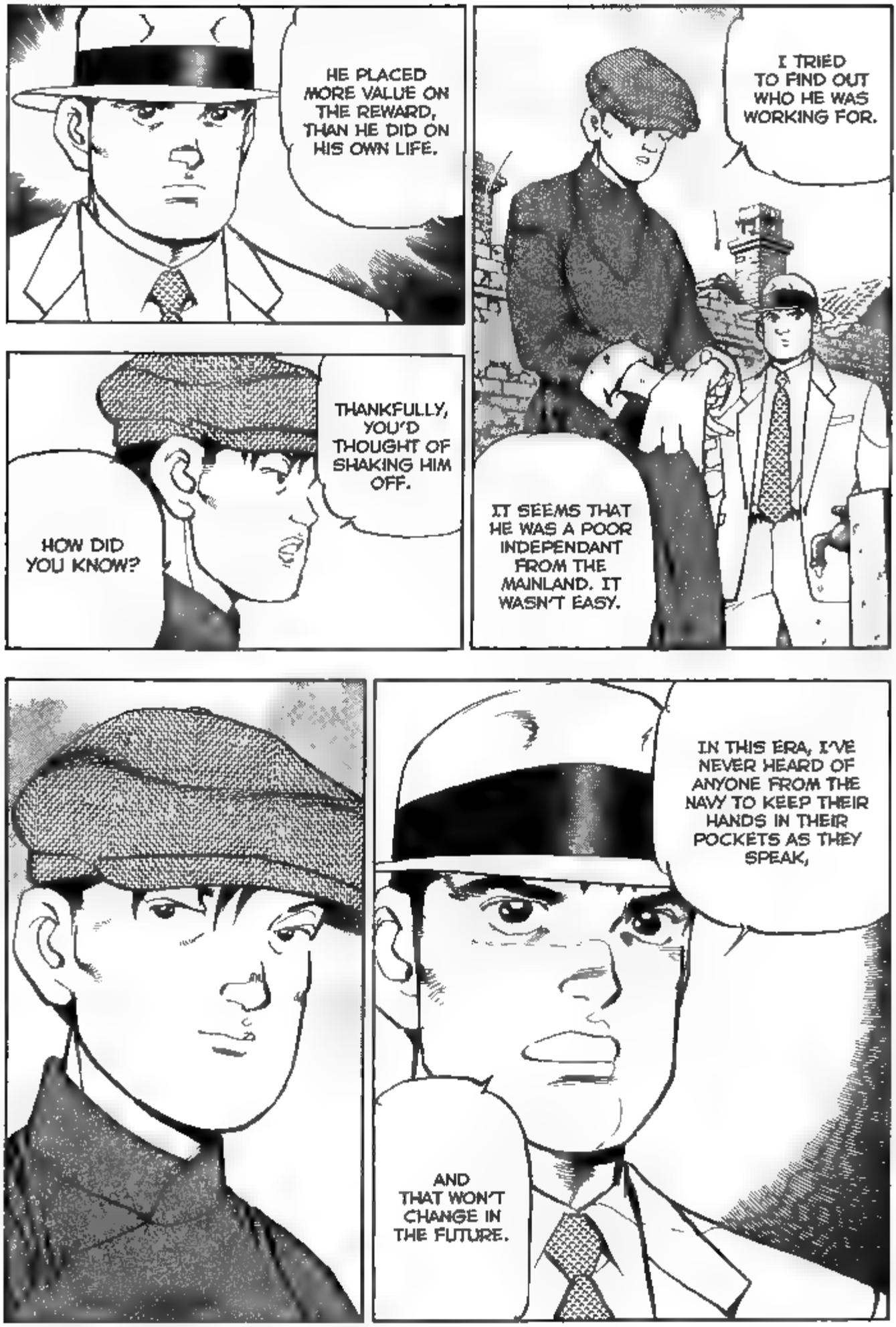


STOP!

THE SEA OF YOKOSUKA IS CALM,
AND THE MONKEYS OF SARUJIMA MUST BE DOING WELL.

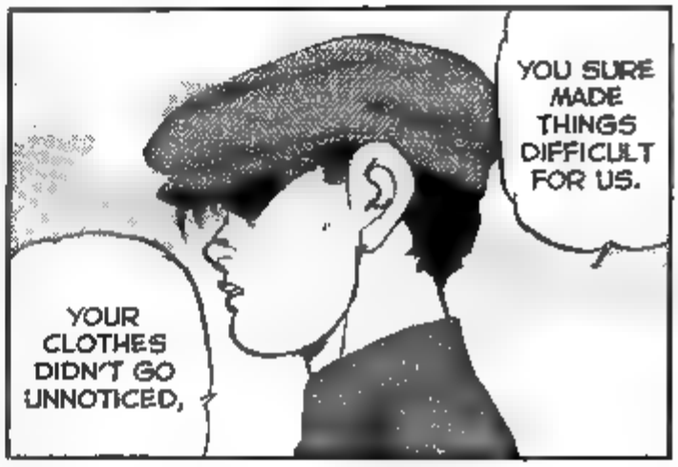

FOR THERE'S NOT A SINGLE MONKEY IN SARUJIMA.
NO,


DID YOU KILL HIM?


HE PLACED MORE VALUE ON THE REWARD, THAN HE DID ON HIS OWN LIFE.
I TRIED TO FIND OUT WHO HE WAS WORKING FOR.
IT SEEMS THAT HE WAS A POOR INDEPENDANT FROM THE MAINLAND. IT WASN'T EASY.
THANKFULLY, YOU'D THOUGHT OF SHAKING HIM OFF.
HOW DID YOU KNOW?
IN THIS ERA, I'VE NEVER HEARD OF ANYONE FROM THE NAVY TO KEEP THEIR HANDS IN THEIR POCKETS AS THEY SPEAK,
AND THAT WON'T CHANGE IN THE FUTURE.

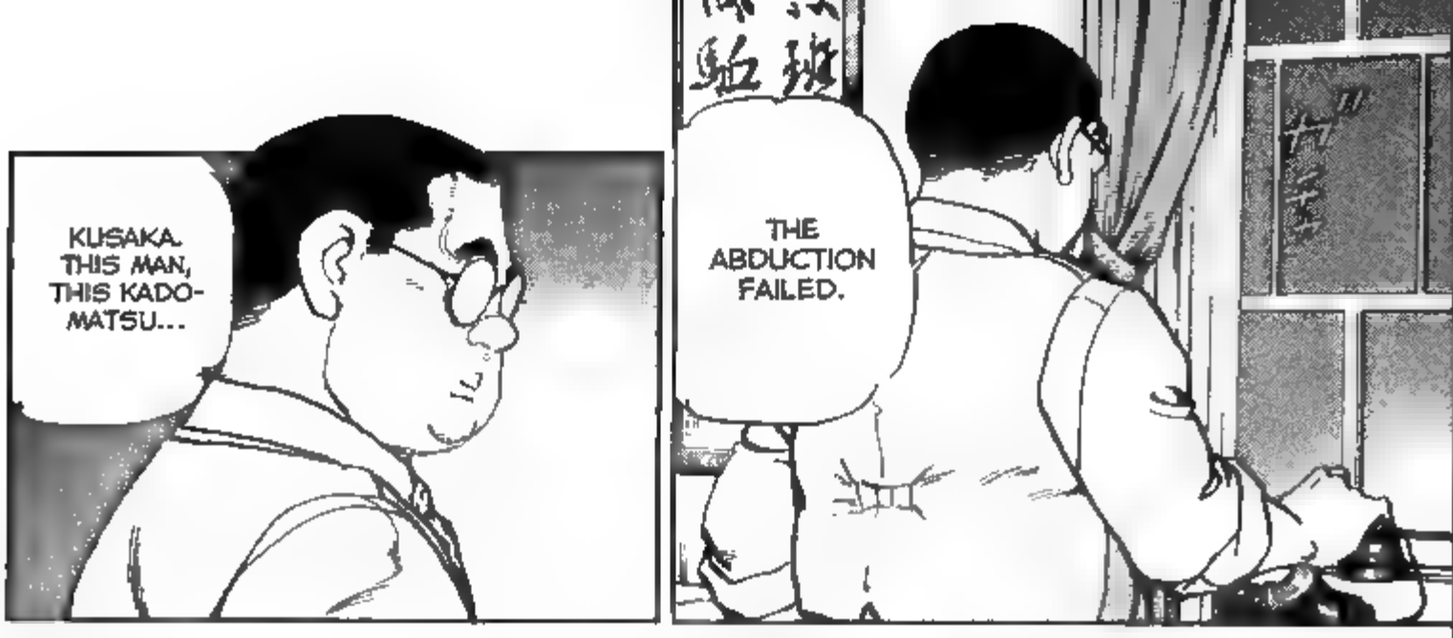
YOSUKE KADOMATSU.
KATSUMI KISARAGI, LIEUTENANT JUNIOR GRADE OF THE IMPERIAL NAVY.

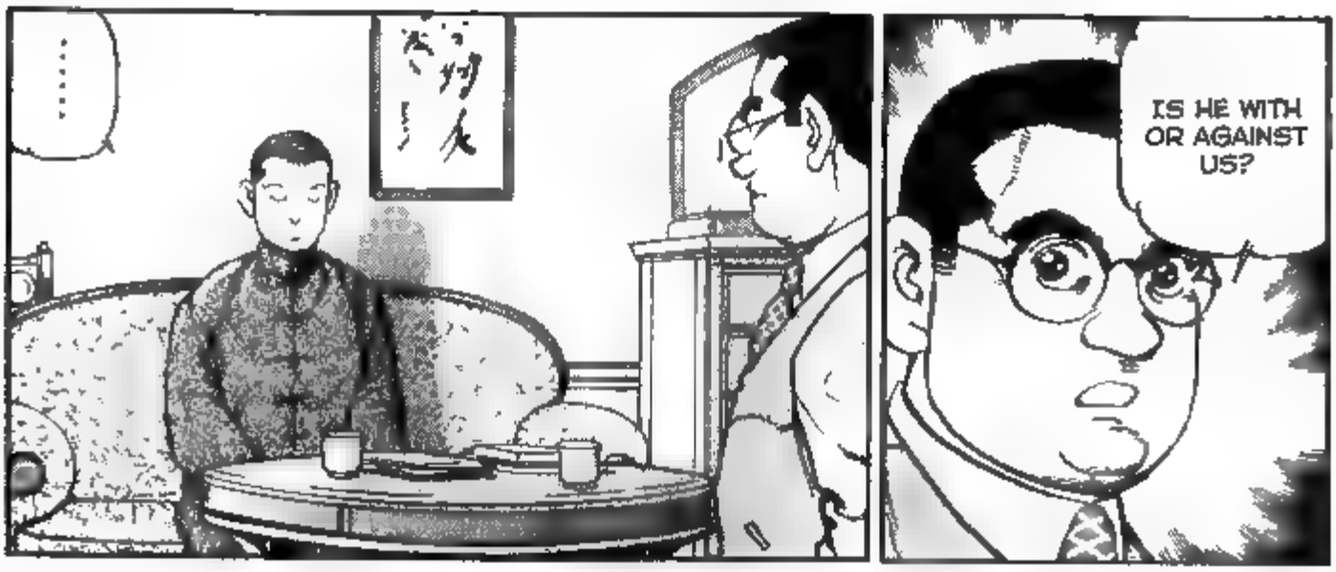
AND YOU...
DON'T LOOK LIKE A NAVY MAN.


YOU SURE MADE THINGS DIFFICULT FOR US.
YOUR CLOTHES DIDN'T GO UNNOTICED,

FOR A MISSION ON THE GROUND,
THE FIRST ASSET IS BANALITY.

BUT FOR NOW, OUR PROBLEM ...
IS THAT OUR ENEMY IS GETTING INFORMATION FROM WITHIN THE NAVY.
AND SPECIAL OFFICER, KISARAGI, IS WITH HIM.
I'M SORRY, HIS ABDUCTION ATTEMPT FAILED.
THIS MAN, KADOMATSU, HE'S COMING TO GET YOU AT XINJING,
VERY WELL.
THANK YOU.


KUSAKA. THIS MAN, THIS KADO-MATSU...
THE ABDUCTION FAILED.


.....
IS HE WITH OR AGAINST US?

I DON'T KNOW EITHER...
TO TELL YOU THE TRUTH,
Wake 70/End.

"ASIA"
THE TRAIN
LINKING
DALIAN TO
XINJING IN
8 HOURS.

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Wake 71 --
the Colonel of Manchoukouo's
Armed Forces.

FOR THAT PERIOD, IT WAS A TECHNICAL PROGRESS SIMILAR TO THE SHINKANSEN'S FOR THE OLYMPIC GAMES IN TOKYO.
AIR-CONDITIONED AND VERY COMFORTABLE CARS

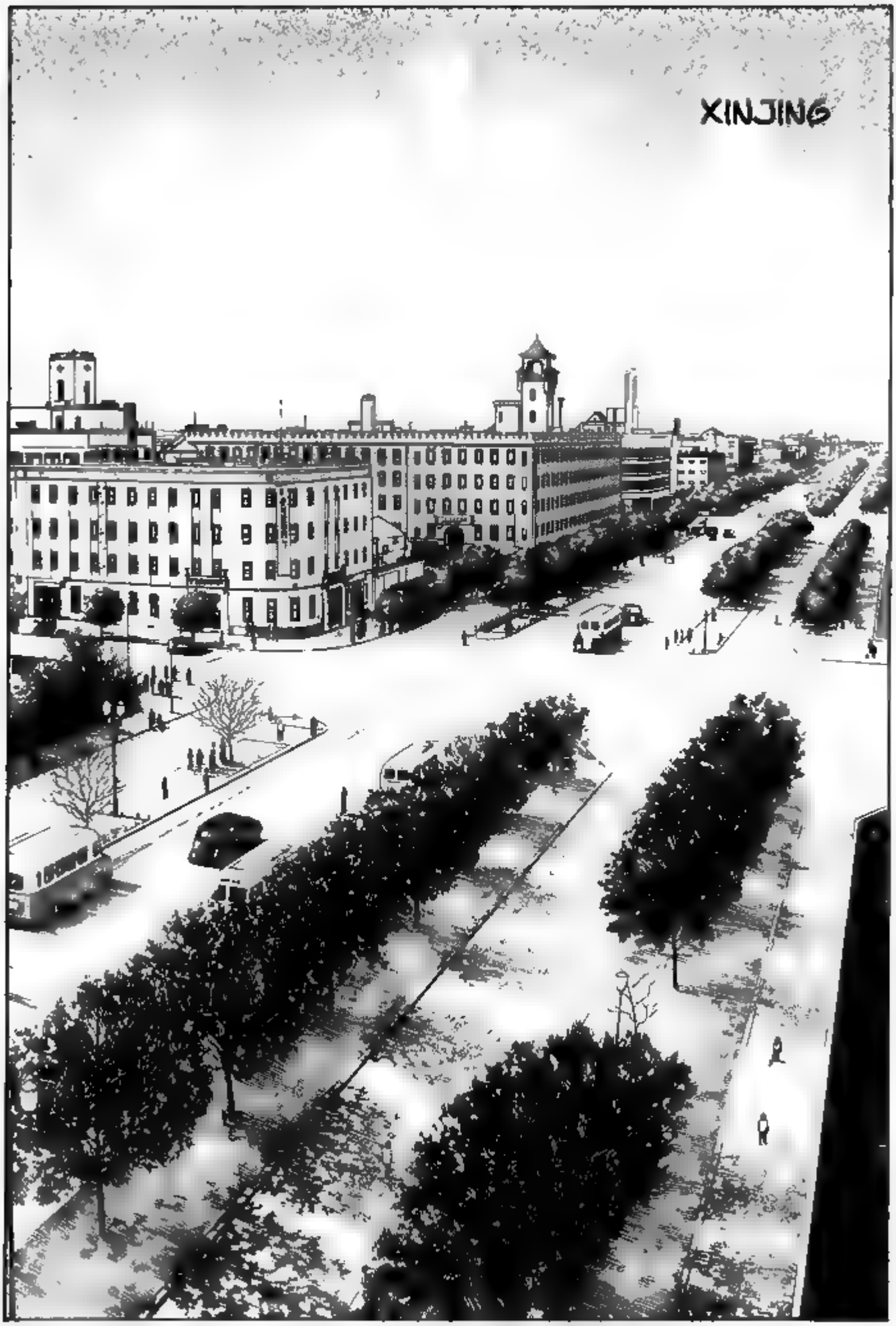
THEY NEVER COULD GET THE RESPECT OF THE NATIVES.
WHILE THEY WERE DEVELOPING MODERN RAILWAYS AND BIG CITIES...

JAPANESE PEOPLE...

LIEUTENANT KISARAGI, ARE YOUR ORDERS TO GUIDE ME OR TO FOLLOW ME ?
IT'S TO MAKE SURE YOU ACHIEVE YOUR GOAL.
...OUR LIVES ARE THREAT-ENED?
MY JOB IS TO HELP YOU DO THAT.
AND WHAT IF...
YOU ASK MANY FUTILE QUESTIONS ...

HOW WOULD I PROTECT YOU ...
... IF I WERE TO DIE?

YOU'RE COM-PLETELY RIGHT.
YOU AND ME, WE'RE IN SIMILAR SITUA-TIONS...
RIGHT?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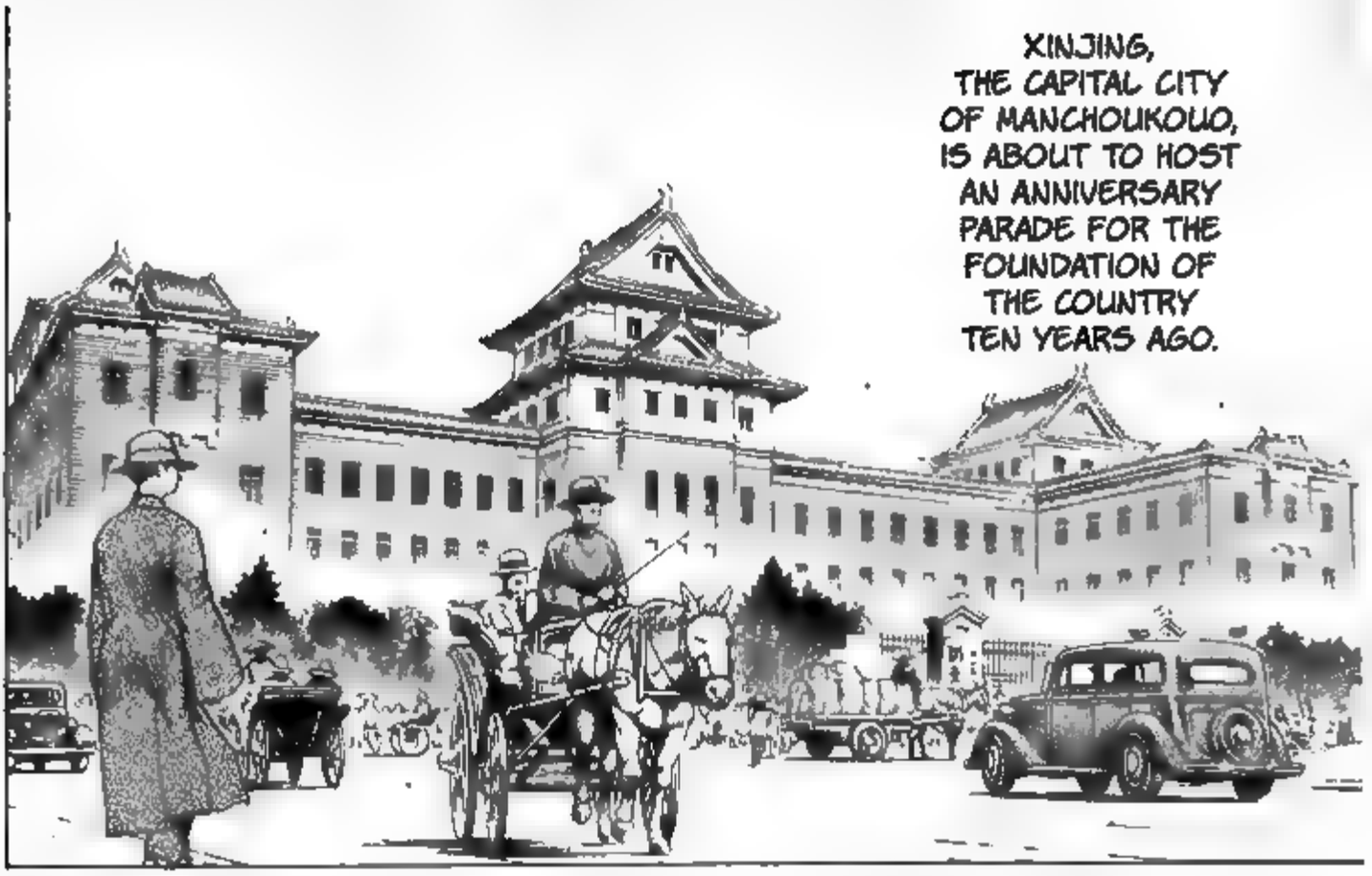
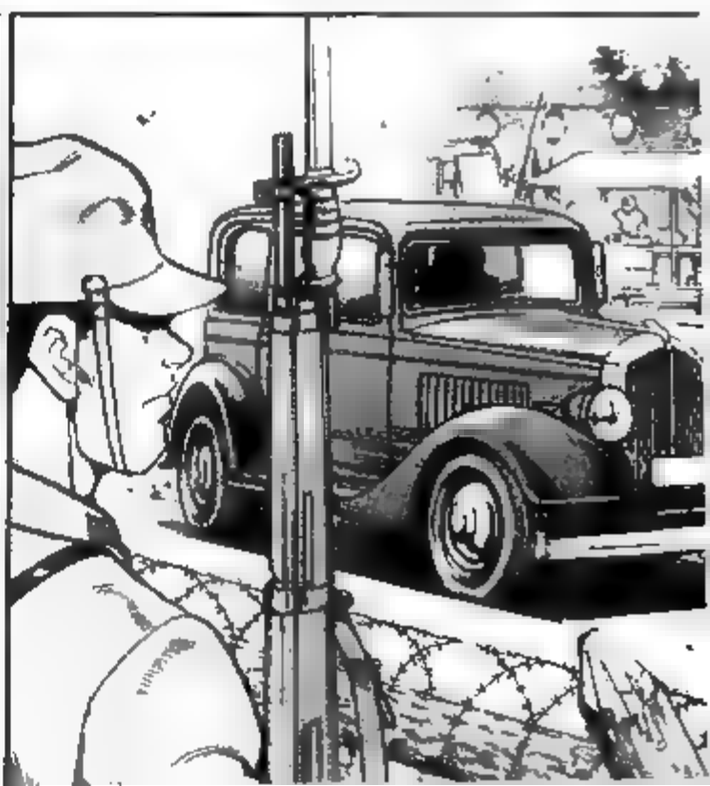

XINJING, THE CAPITAL CITY OF MANCHOUKOUO, IS ABOUT TO HOST AN ANNIVERSARY PARADE FOR THE FOUNDATION OF THE COUNTRY TEN YEARS AGO.

WE'RE ARRIVING IN THE MIDDLE OF A STRICT SURVEIL-LANCE PLAN.



ACCORDING TO MY INFORMATION...
IT'S HERE, YOU CAN STOP.
AFTER COMING BACK FROM HARBIN, JIRO YOSHIMURA SETTLED IN ...
HRUM!
... THIS HOTEL ...

DID HE RECEIVE ANY VISITOR ?
WAS HE ALONE?

HE LEFT THE HOTEL TWO DAYS AGO.
YES, THAT'S HIM.
!!

YES, A FRIEND OF HIS ...
THAT MAN! WHO WAS THAT MAN!?

MISTER WANG... A CHINESE MAN.
"WANG" ?!

LEAD US ...
... TO THE ROOM THEY WERE IN.

"WANG TUOHAI" ...
"WANG TUOHAI" I THINK, WAS HIS NAME.

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IT'S HERE.
THEY WERE VERY QUIET.
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I CAN SEE THE SKY OF MY HOME COUNTRY.
BECAUSE WHILE HE WAS LOOKING THROUGH THIS WINDOW, HE SAID...
I THINK, MISTER WANG WAS FROM VLADIVO-STOK.
SO HE WAS PROBABLY FEELING HOMESICK.
VLADIVOSTOK IS 700KM AWAY FROM HERE.
BEYOND THE SEA..
BUT EVEN FURTHER AWAY ...
NO !!!
HE WASN'T LOOKING AT THE SKIES OF VLADIVOSTOK!

...
TO THE SKY OF JAPAN !!!

WHAT DID HE HAVE IN MIND ?!

... AND I'M SURE HE WAS LOOKING AT THE LAND-SCAPE.

HE WAS STANDING AT THIS WINDOW...

WHAT WAS HE THINK-ING?!

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THE PARADE !!!
IF HE'S GOING TO DO SOMETHING, IT CAN ONLY BE DURING THE PARADE!
YES, BUT I THINK HE HAS SOMETHING IN HIS MIND BY STAYING WITH A MAN WANTED BY THE MILITARY POLICE, DESPITE THE STRICT SURVEILLANCE OF THIS AREA.
LIKE ME, YOU'VE SEEN THE SURVEIL-LANCE PLAN !
AND WHAT WOULD HE DO ?

*IN THE MANCHOUKOUO AIR FORCE, THE RANK OF COLONEL WAS SAID "TAKO" (IN JAPANESE, INSTEAD OF "TAISA")

THE ARMED FORCES OF MAN-CHOUK-OUO...
IT'S APART FROM THE KANTO ARMED FORCES. A PROPER ARMED FORCES FOR MANCHOUKOUO...
WE, THE SOLDIERS FROM THE KANTO ARMY, HAVE HIGH HOPES IN YOUR FIRST FLIGHT TO JAPAN TO COMMEMORATE THE ANNIVERSARY.
THANK YOU.

PLUS, IT'S A MIX OF CHINESE PEOPLE FROM MANCHURIA, HUNS, KOREANS, MONGOLIANS AND EVEN WHITE RUSSIANS.
IT'S ALREADY BEEN TEN YEARS SINCE THE FOUNDATION OF THIS ARMY WAS PLACED UNDER THE SYMBOL OF "GOZOKUKYOWA", THE FIVE CLANS' HARMONY.
AND NOW, OUR ARMED FORCES HAVE 170,000 SOLDIERS!!
BUT FOR ME, BEING FROM THE SAME CLASS AS YOU, I ENVY YOU.
SURELY, TRAINING THEM WAS A DIFFICULT TASK, RIGHT?
EVEN IN A SWANKY ARMY, A COLONEL IS STILL A COLONEL.
YOU GET QUICKLY PROMOTED, GOING FROM THE KANTO ARMY TO THE MANCHUKUO ARMY.

WELL, THAT'S REASSURING THEN.

THE WHOLE KANTO ARMY IS NEXT TO YOU.

HOWEVER, I'D LIKE YOU NOT TO FORGET SOMETHING, COLONEL.

IT'S JUST A DECORA-TION, NOTHING MORE.

THE ARMY OF MANCHUKUO ISN'T PREPARED FOR WAR.

HA! HA! HA!

ANYWAY, I DOUBT THAT SOLDIERS UNABLE TO REMEMBER PRECEPTS FROM THE EMPEROR COULD EVER GO TO THE FRONT!

"SUPREME EXCELLENCE CONSISTS OF BREAKING THE ENEMY'S RESISTANCE WITHOUT FIGHTING"*.

SUN TSU ALSO SAID THAT THE SUCCESSFUL PRACTICE OF DETERRENCE REFLECTS THE HIGHPOINT OF SKILL.

THE MOST POWERFUL ARMY IS THE ONE THAT DOESN'T FIGHT.

!!

WHAT?

*QUOTATION OF SUN TSU, FROM THE ART OF WAR.

WE'LL SEE ABOUT THAT ...

MY, MY... THAT'S INTERESTING ...

STAND UP!!!

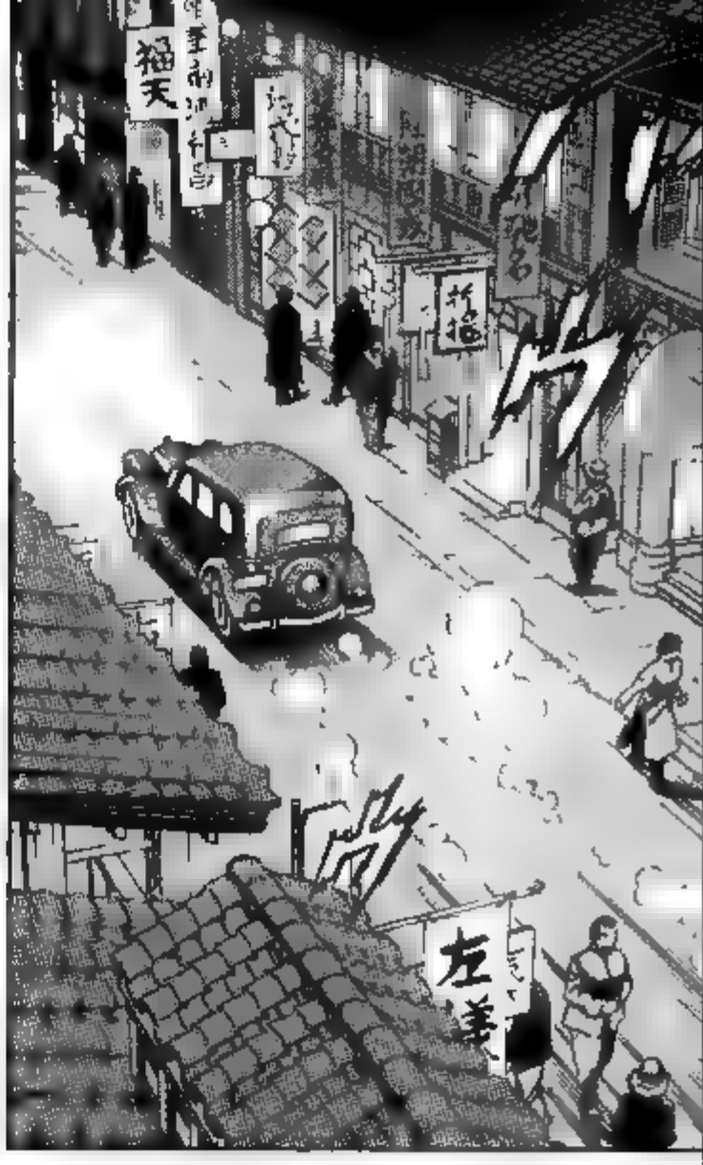
ARE YOU SAYING THAT WE, THE KANTO ARMY, FULL OF PHYSICAL AND SPIRITUAL ENERGY, ARE WEAKER THAN THE ARMY OF MANCHOUKUO?!

*SHOTOKU TAISHI : ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT POLITICIANS OF JAPAN, BEFORE THE ERA OF KYOTO.

PFFF!

THE IDEOLOGY OF ASIA IS PEACE AT ANY COST ...

SOL-DIERS, TOO, SHOULD REALIZE IT TOO.



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YOUR GRAVE

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WAKE 72 --
CONGRATULATIONS
PARADE

IT'S ABOUT TIME, THE PARADE FLIGHT IS TOMORROW.

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MY ARMS ARE GETTING STIFF/

YES/

LIEUTENANT CHO, ARE YOU NERVOUS ?

"ALSO" WHAT?

ALSO ...

WHEN I THINK ABOUT HOW WE'LL BE ABLE TO SHOW THE CITIZENS OF MANCHOUKOUO WHAT THE AIR FORCE IS CAPABLE OF, I GET VERY EXCITED.

HA! HA!

HA! HA! HA!

BE CAREFUL NOT TO WET YOURSELF!

THE ONLY THOUGHT OF OUR FIVE COLOURED FLAG FLUTTER-ING ABOVE THE KANTO ARMY IS GETTING ME EXCITED.

HMM ... ...

BY THE WAY, COLONEL ANDO, DO YOU THINK WE'LL HAVE TO GO TO THE CHINESE FRONT WITH THE KANTO ARMY?

BUT COLONEL ANDO, WILL YOU NOT GIVE THEM ANY WORD OR DECLARATION ABOUT IT?

ANYWAY, WHAT IS MEANT TO HAPPEN WILL HAPPEN.

I THINK THE BATTLE WON'T HAPPEN.

R- RIGHT ...

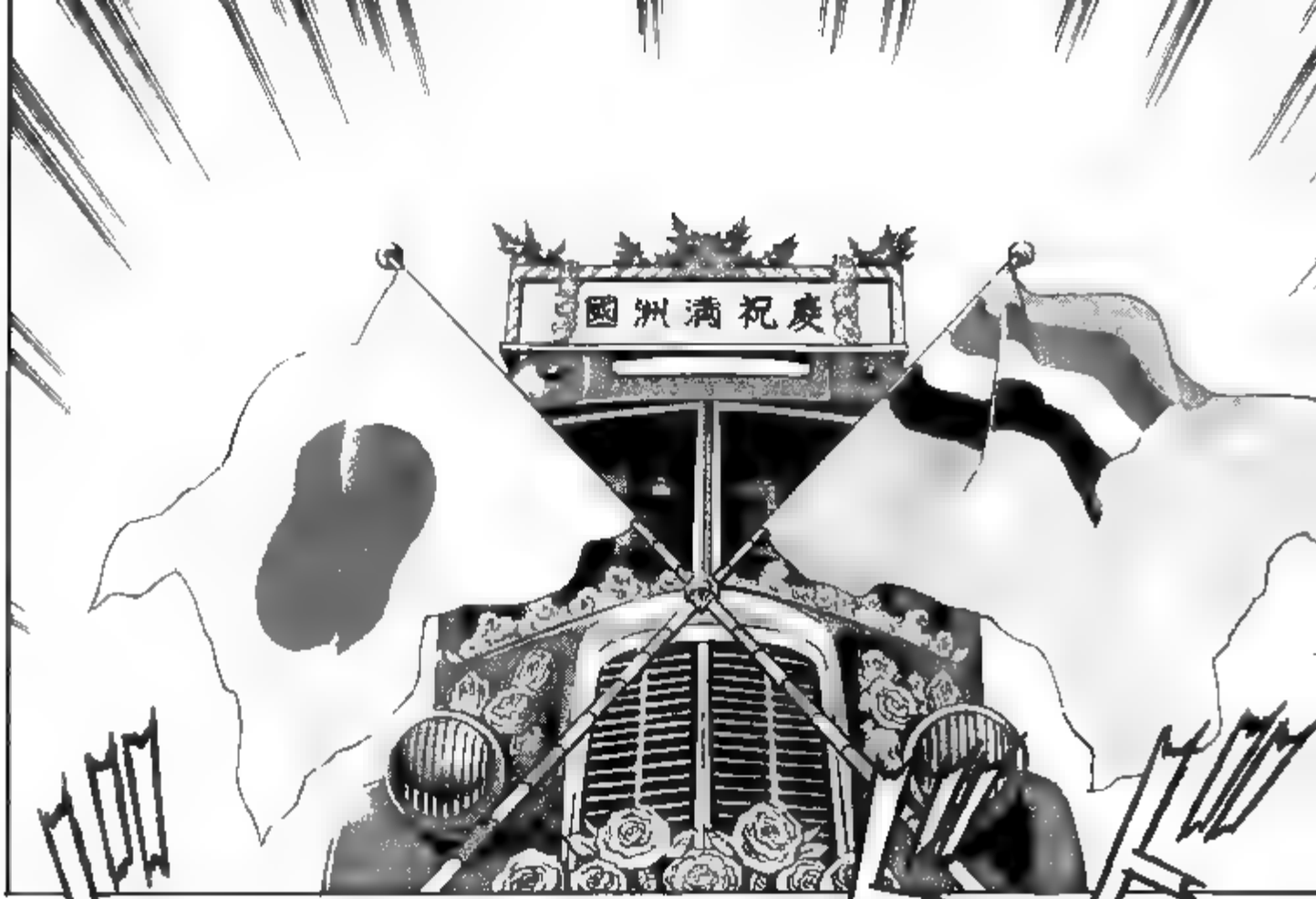
NO, I DON'T THINK SO.
IN THIS CASE ...
WHAT YOU HAVE IN MIND CAN'T BE UNDERSTOOD!
BUT THE KANTO ARMY WILL SURELY SAY THAT'S YOU'RE ACTING LIKE A MAD MAN!
I'M A SOLDIER. I DON'T LIKE TO EXPLAIN WHY I'M DOING WHAT I'M DOING EVERY TIME.
THEY CAN SAY WHATEVER THEY WANT.
AND ...
WHO YOU ARE... YOUR ENTIRE PERSONALITY WILL BE QUESTIONED!

UNDERSTAND THIS, COLONEL ANDO.
THE WAY YOU THINK ABOUT YOUR MEN AND HOW YOU'VE TRAINED THEM IS RIGHT.
SOME WILL UNDERSTAND. THAT'S ENOUGH FOR ME.
I UNDERSTAND YOUR WISH FOR THIS COUNTRY TO GAIN REAL INDEPENDENCE.
KUSAKA ///
TAKUMI KUSAKA
I SEE... THERE'S NO NEED FOR WORDS.
YOUR FEELINGS ARE CLEAR ENOUGH.

YOU LOOK QUIET, BUT I'VE SEEN THE INTENSITY OF THE FLAMES INSIDE YOURSELF.

WHAT?
I HAVE TO TELL YOU SOMETHING ...
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
I WON'T FLY WITH YOU TOMORROW.

BUT COLONEL... WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?
I'LL TAKE OFF FOR ANOTHER DIRECTION WHICH I CAN'T REVEAL YET, MY ORDERS ARE VERY CLEAR.
TOMORROW, YOU'LL REPRESENT OUR AIR FORCE.
YOU'RE STILL YOUNG ...
REGARDLESS OF WHAT COULD HAPPEN, THE AIR SQUADRON HAS TO CONTINUE.
AND TOMORROW, THE ONLY CHANCE TO GAIN THE POPULATION'S RESPECT ....
... WILL BE WITHIN OUR GRASP.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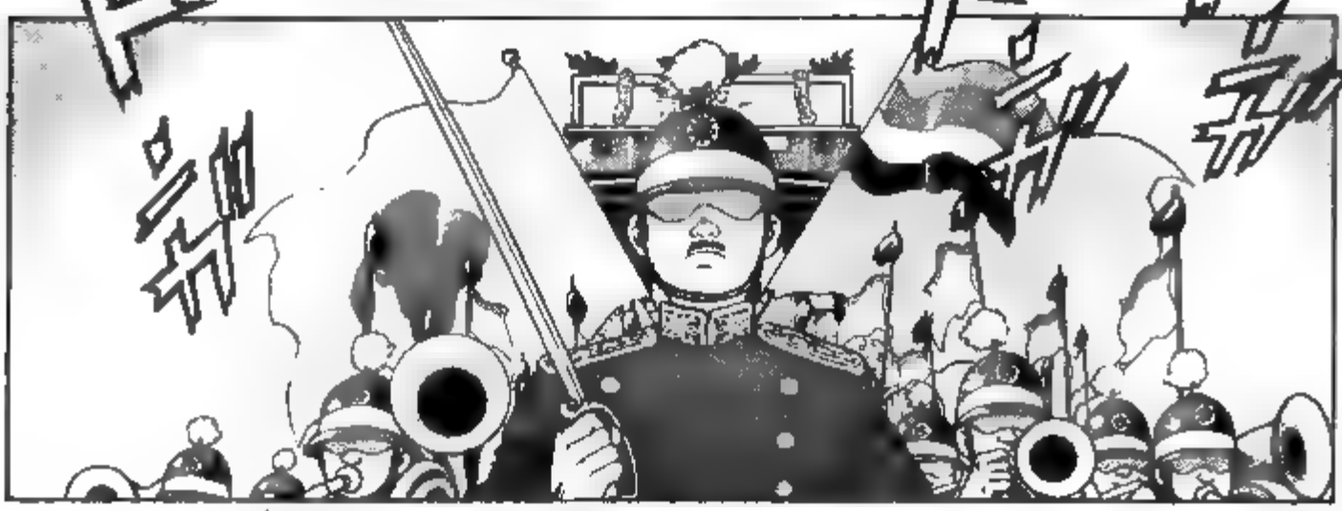
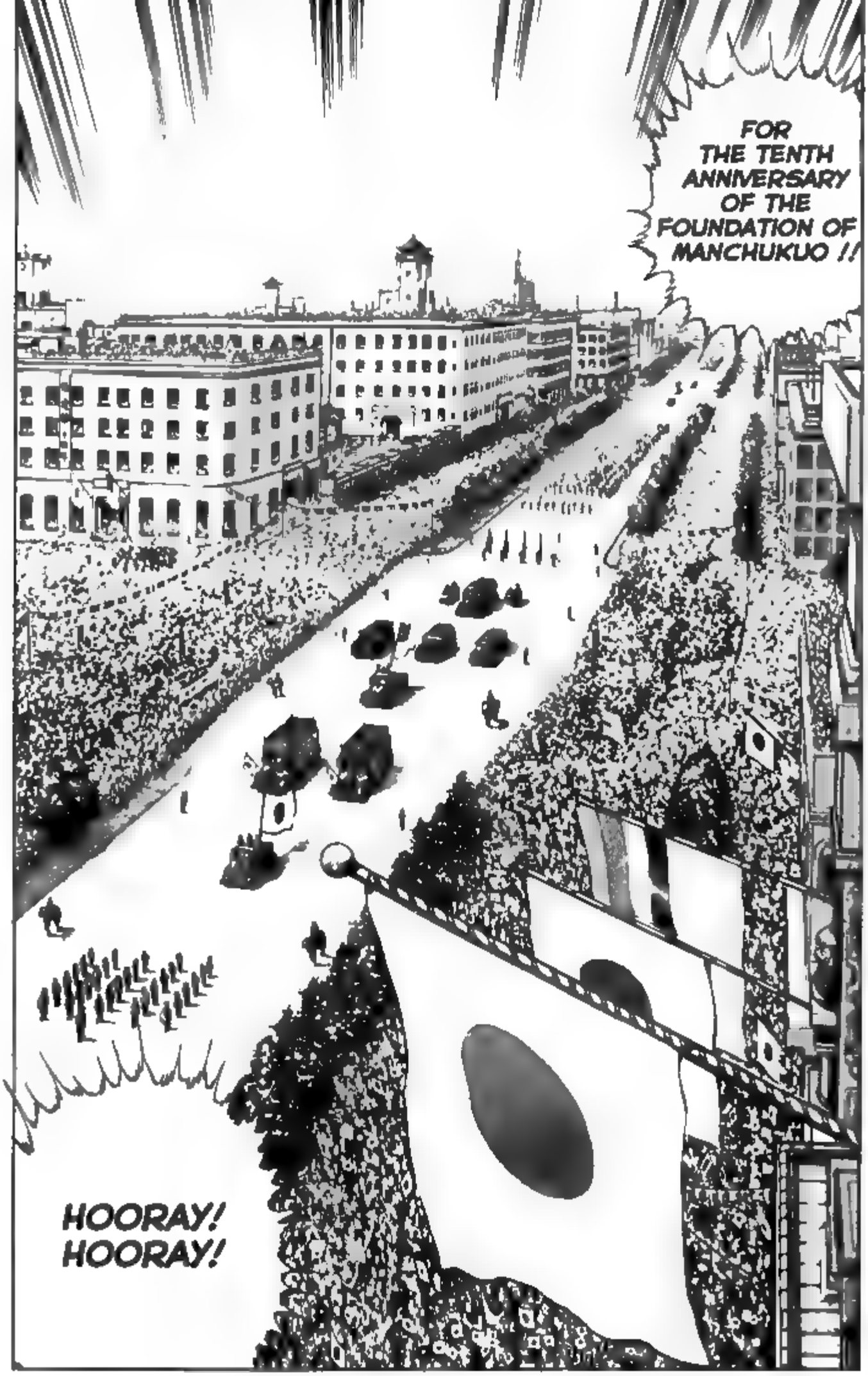
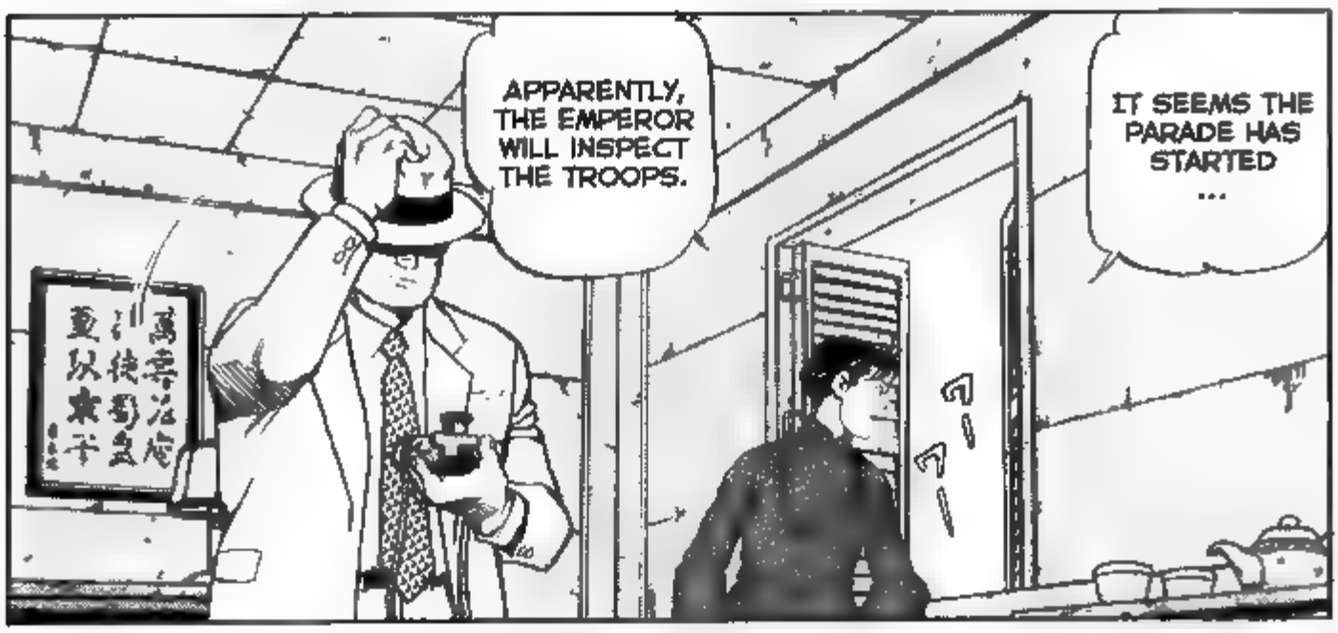


HOORAY !!!
HOORAY !!!


FOR THE TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDATION OF MANCHUKUO !!
HOORAY! HOORAY!


APPARENTLY, THE EMPEROR WILL INSPECT THE TROOPS.
IT SEEMS THE PARADE HAS STARTED ...

NO... NOT A CLUE.
DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA WHAT FORMER CAPTAIN KUSAKA IS PLOTTING?

I SEE ...
BUT IF WE GO, WE'LL FIND OUT.

ENGINE STARTING!

REMOVE THE HOLDS!!

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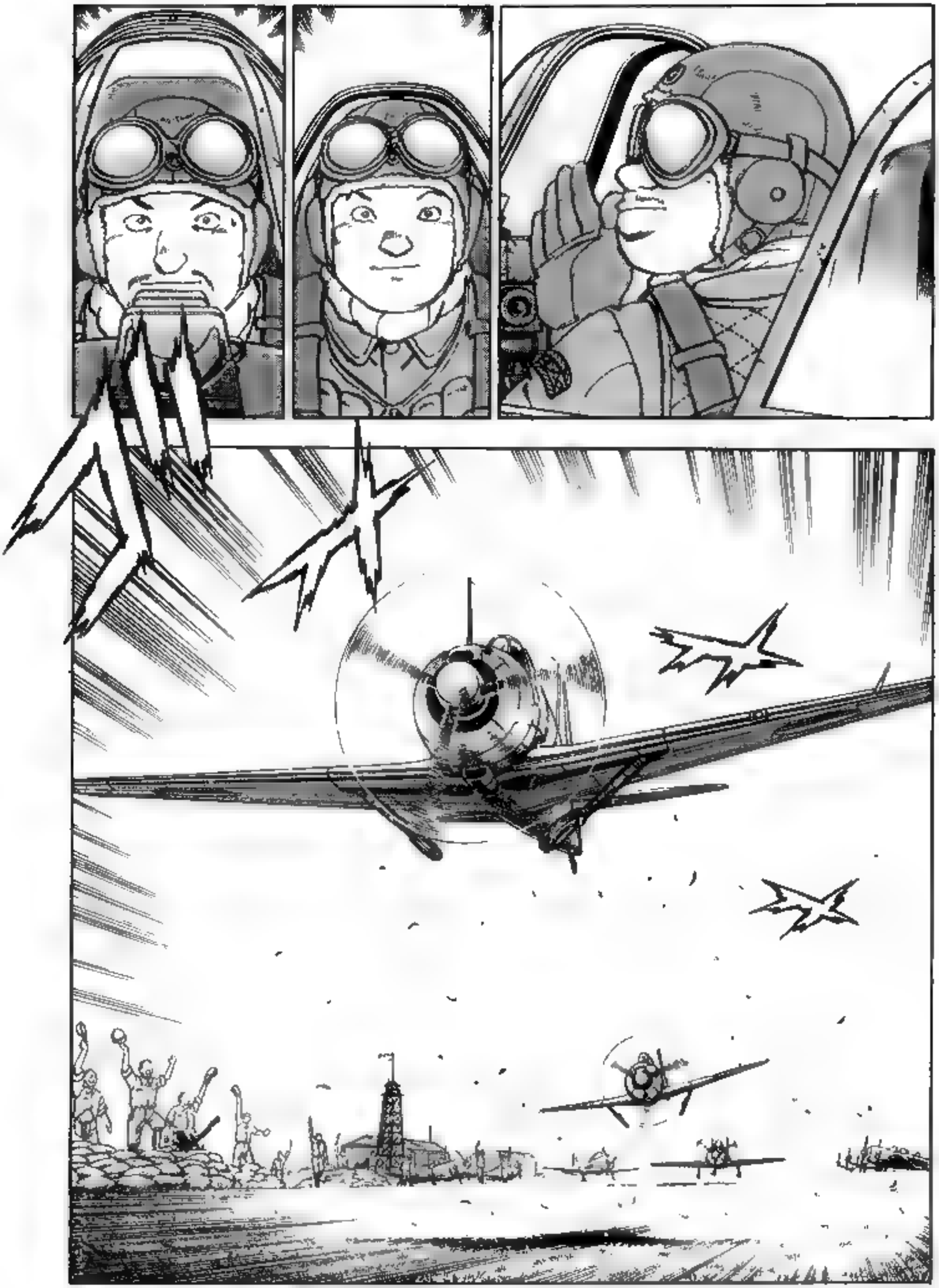


HE IS WITHIN THE CROWD.
HE IS HERE!
SOME-WHERE ...
!!

AIXINJUELOU
...
THE EMPEROR OF MANCHUKUO
..
PUYI!!

THAT'S THE DISTINGUISHABLE ROOF OF THE COUNCIL OF STATE...

PUYI!!

!!

THE HOTEL KUSAKA HAD STAYED IN.

HE'S EXACTLY IN FRONT OF

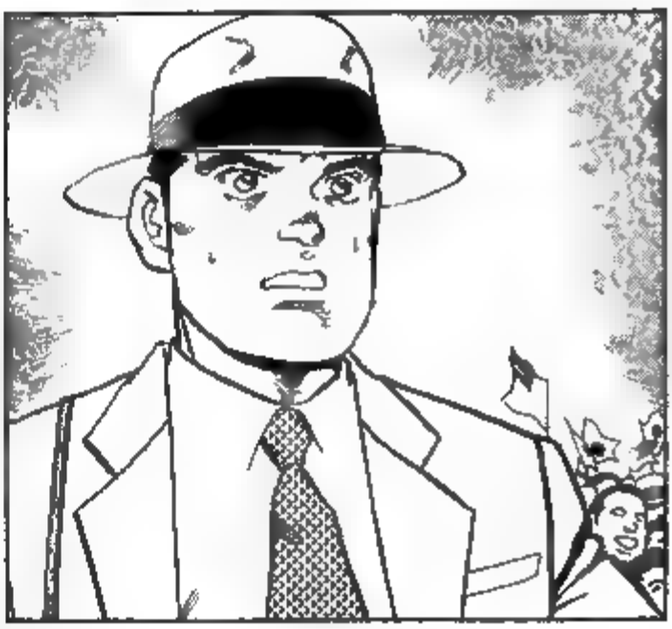
THE SKY OF JAPAN

LOOKING AT

HE WASN'T ONLY

...
THE STAND !!!
BUT ALSO ...

I KNOW ...
... WHAT IS HIS GOAL!



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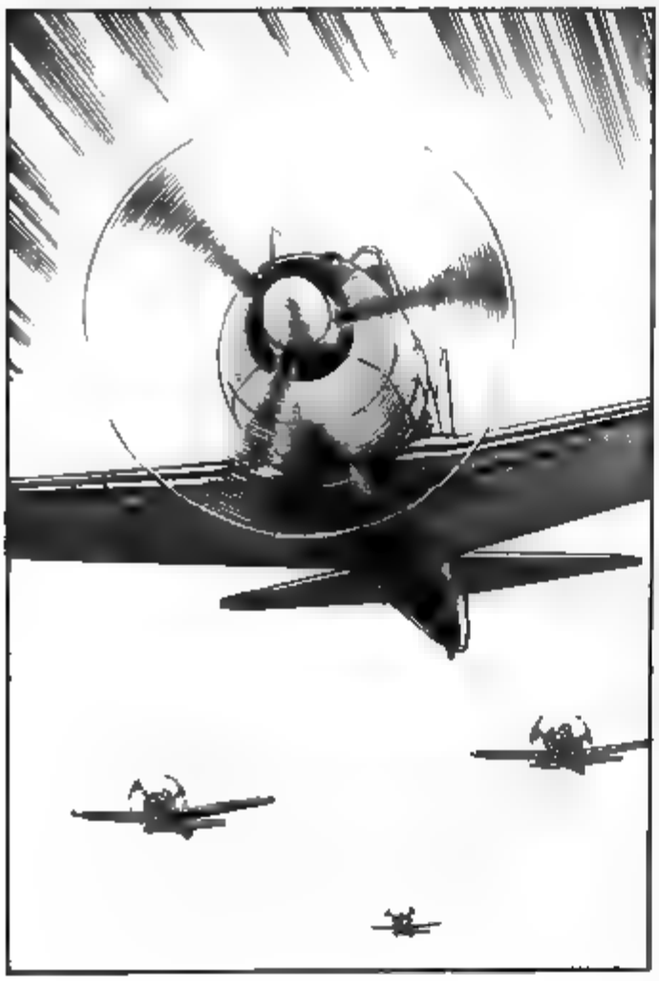
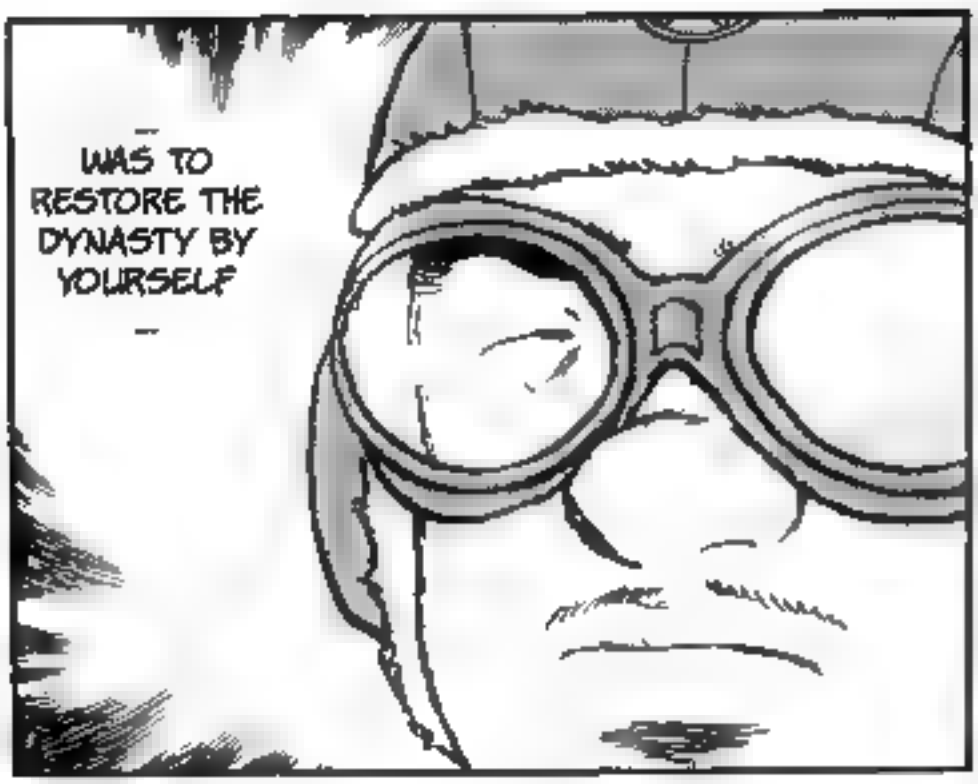
I'VE UNDER-STAND!



THIS IS THE FIRST SQUADRON OF THE MANCHUKUO AIR FORCE.
MINIS-TER.

IT IS LED BY COLONEL ANDO.
GOOD.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WAS TO
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YOUR
WISH
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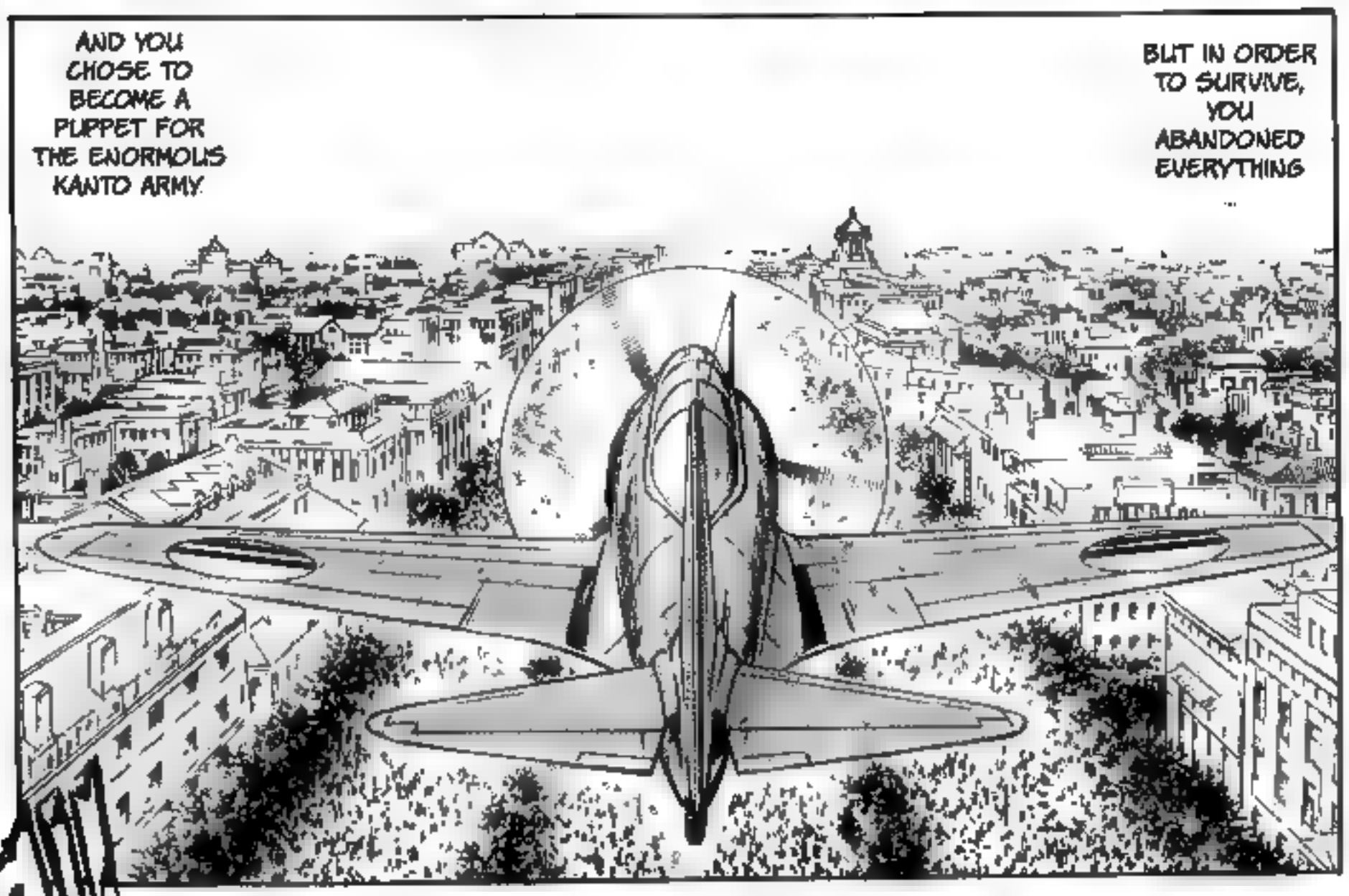
AND YOU
CHOSE TO
BECOME A
PUPPET FOR
THE ENORMOUS
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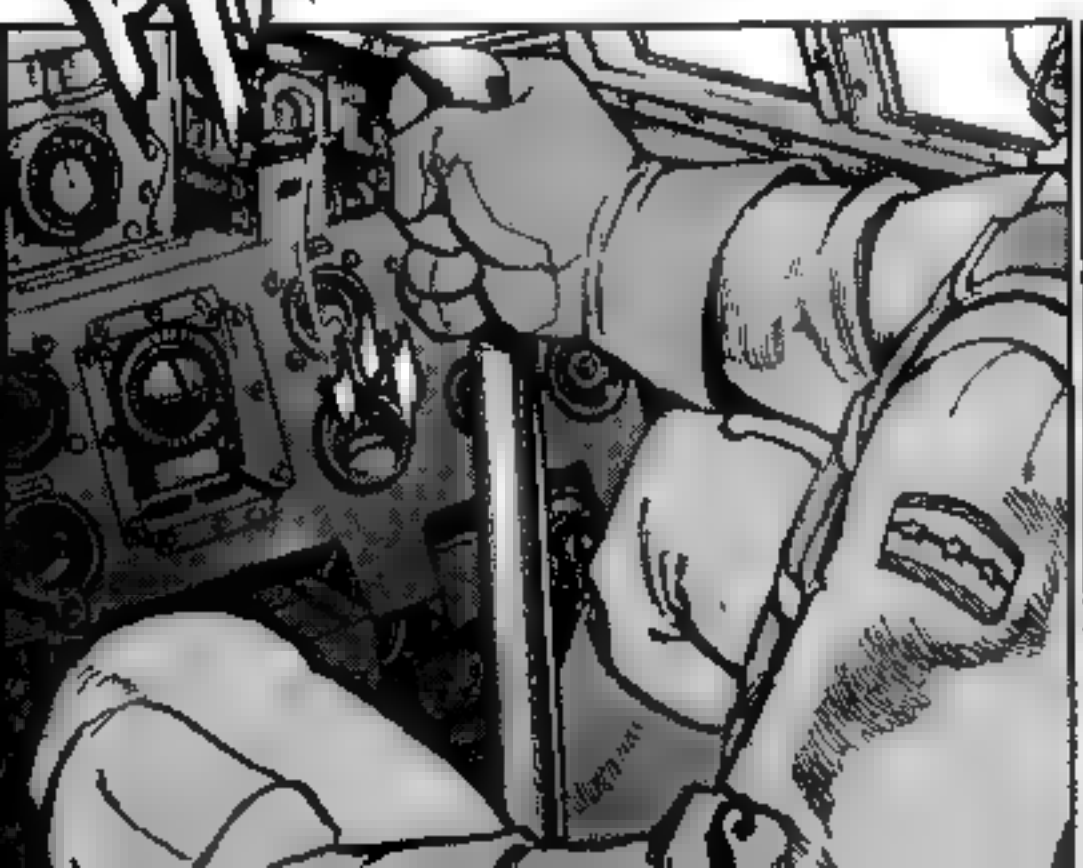
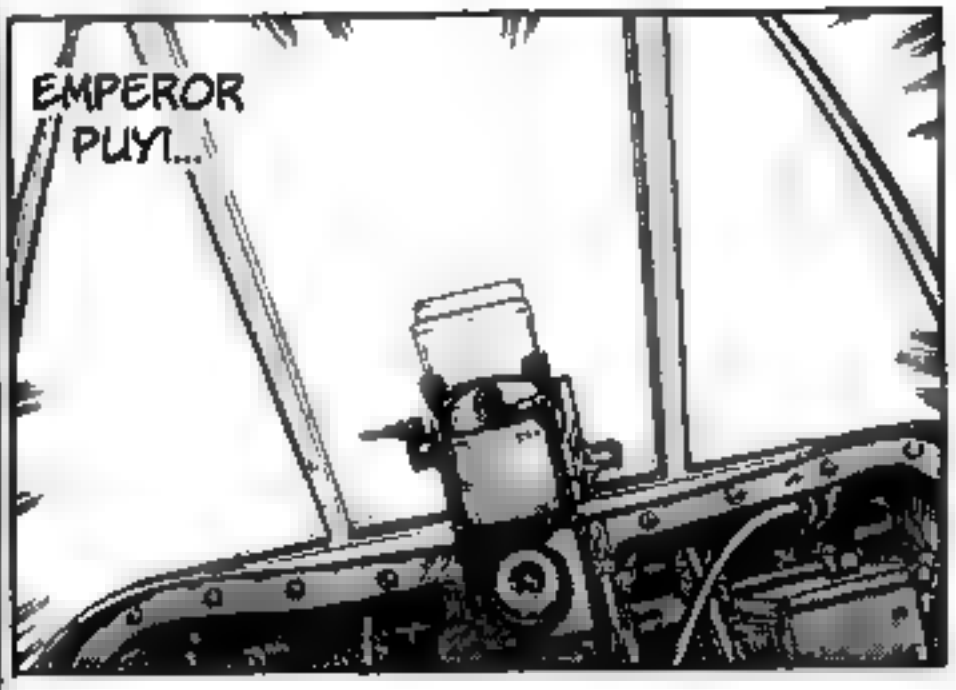
BUT IN ORDER
TO SURVIVE,
YOU
ABANDONED
EVERYTHING
...




EMPEROR
PUYI...

THE SYMBOL OF THE FAKE COUNTRY YOU REPRESENT ...
... WILL DISAPPEAR WITH YOU TODAY!!!

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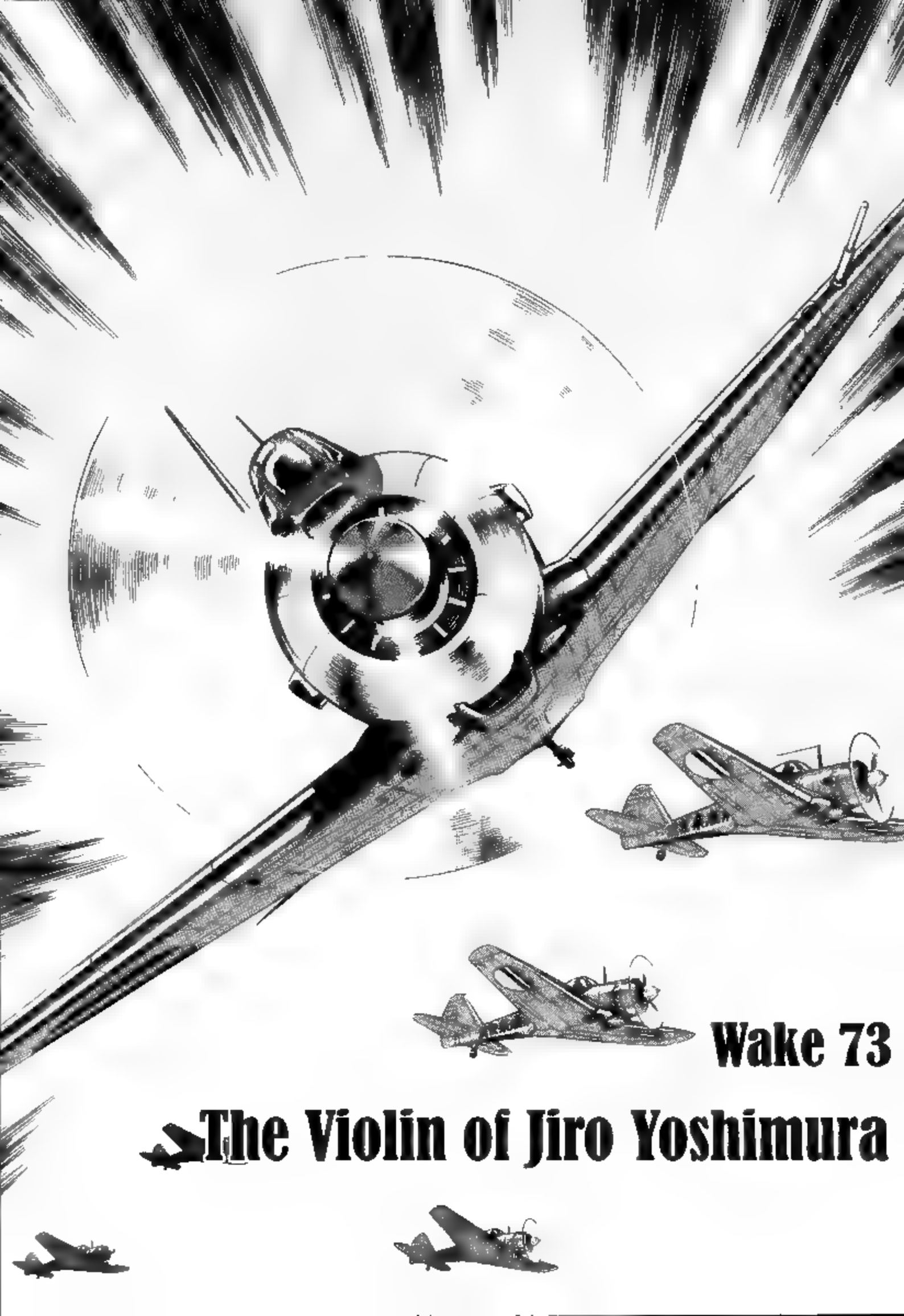

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The Violin of Jiro Yoshimura

WHAT IS IT?
COLONEL!
IS HE INTENDING TO MAKE SOME ACROBATIC FLIGHT?
WELL?

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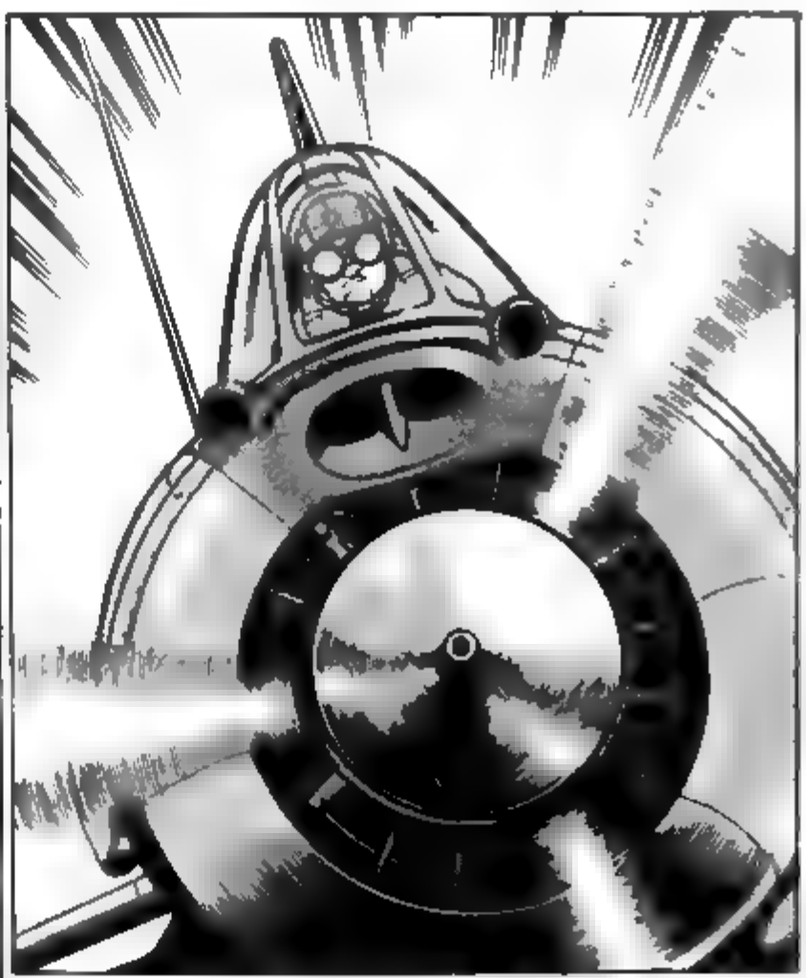
艹艹！



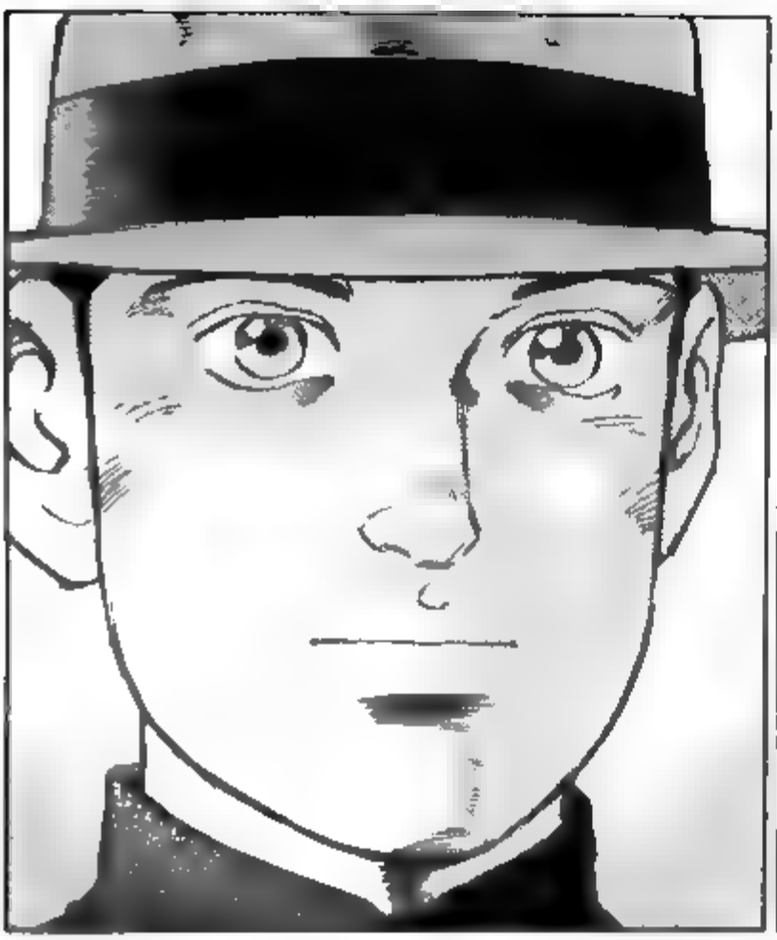
THIS MIGHT BE FOR THE BEST, AFTER ALL. IF THIS IS THE JUDGMENT OF HISTORY, THEN IT MIGHT BE FOR THE PUNISHMENT OF JAPAN'S PRIDE.
ONLY THREE YEARS BEFORE THE FALL OF MANCHUKUO...

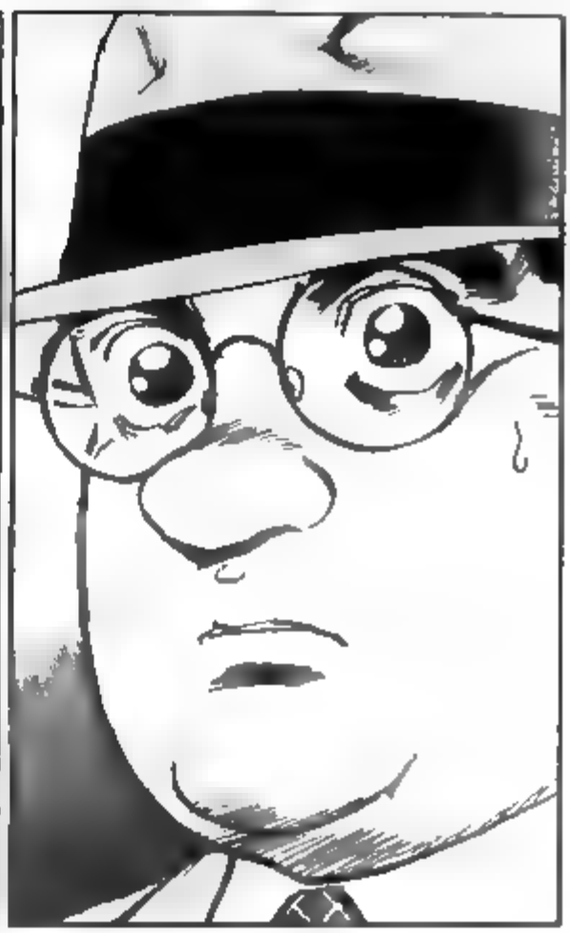
IS IT BECAUSE OF PATRIO-TISM?
MAYBE...

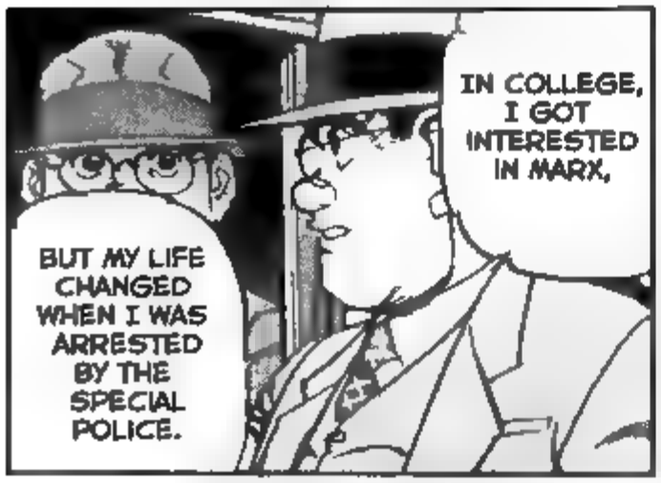
WHY MUST JAPAN NOT LOSE?

WHAT IS SURE IS THAT CONTRARY TO THE RECOVERY OF PHYSICAL ELEMENTS, SUCH AS ROADS, PSYCHOLOGICAL RECOVERY IS VERY DIFFICULT.
IT MEANS YOU KNOW WHAT GOD WANTS.
SINCE YOU'VE SEEN THE FUTURE,
I DON'T UNDER-STAND.
UNLESS YOU HAVE SOME SECRET AMBITION?
WHY DO YOU WANT TO TAKE SO MANY RISKS FOR A JAPAN THAT'S NOT WORTH IT?
WHY AREN'T YOU JUST OBSERVING FROM THE SIDE?

I'LL ONLY HAVE MY INIMITABLE HOMELAND.
REGARDLESS OF WHAT I SEE, AS LONG AS I'LL LIVE, EVEN AFTER MY DEATH...

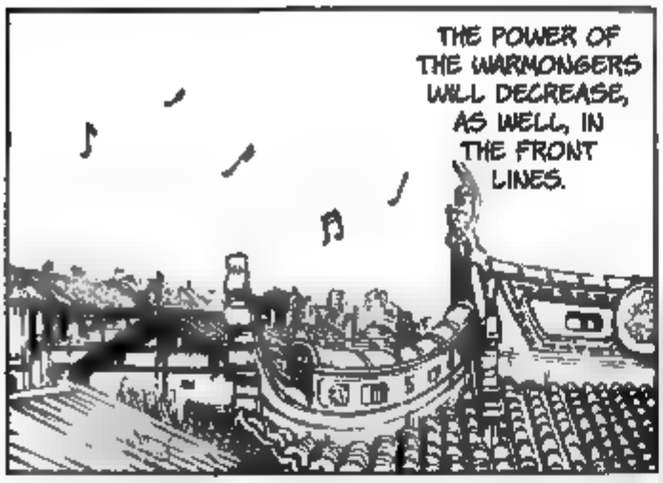


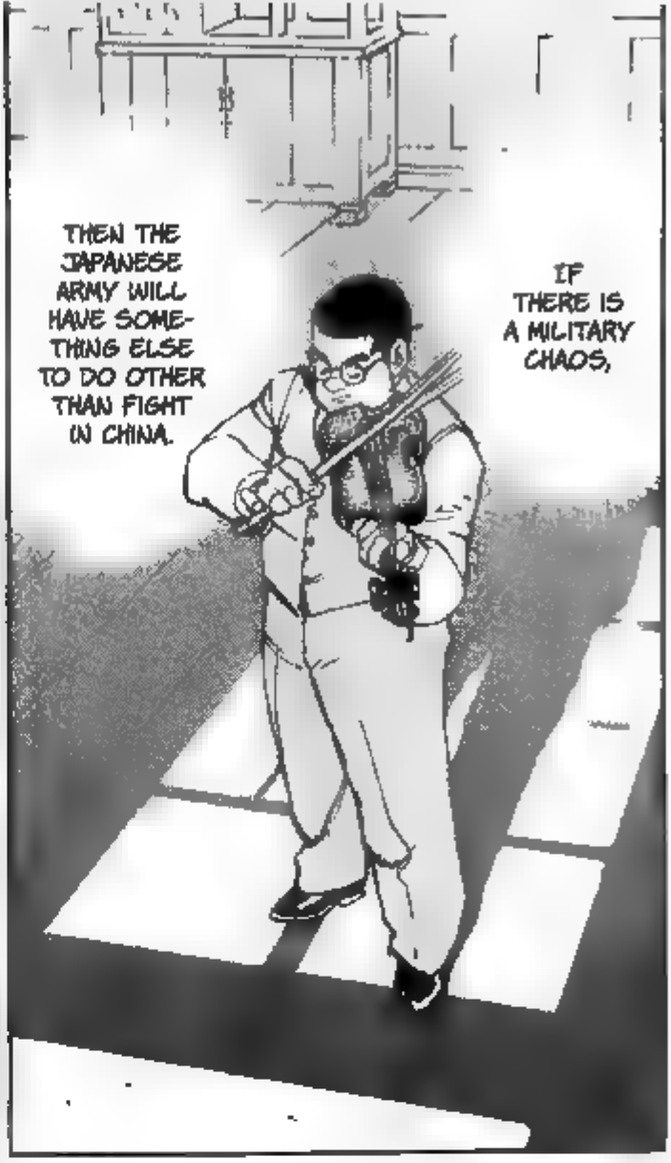


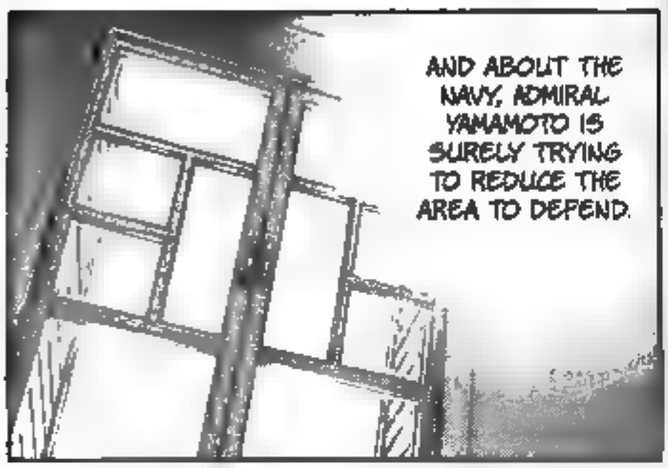


T/N*: See End Of Volume 6

I LIKED BEING HERE, DOING RESEARCH IN THE MAINLAND AND PLAYING VIOLIN WHENEVER I LIKED.
IT WAS A NICE PLACE, LIBERAL AND ACADEMIC.
I'M JAPANESE AND I'LL REMAIN JAPANESE.
BUT AS FAR AS I CAN GO...
SUSPICIONS WILL APPEAR BOTH IN THE MANCHUKUO ARMY AND IN THE KANTO ARMY.
ASSASSINATE PUYI? WHAT FOR, MISTER KUSAKA?


THE POWER OF THE WARMONGERS WILL DECREASE, AS WELL, IN THE FRONT LINES.


IF THERE IS A MILITARY CHAOS,
THEN THE JAPANESE ARMY WILL HAVE SOMETHING ELSE TO DO OTHER THAN FIGHT IN CHINA.

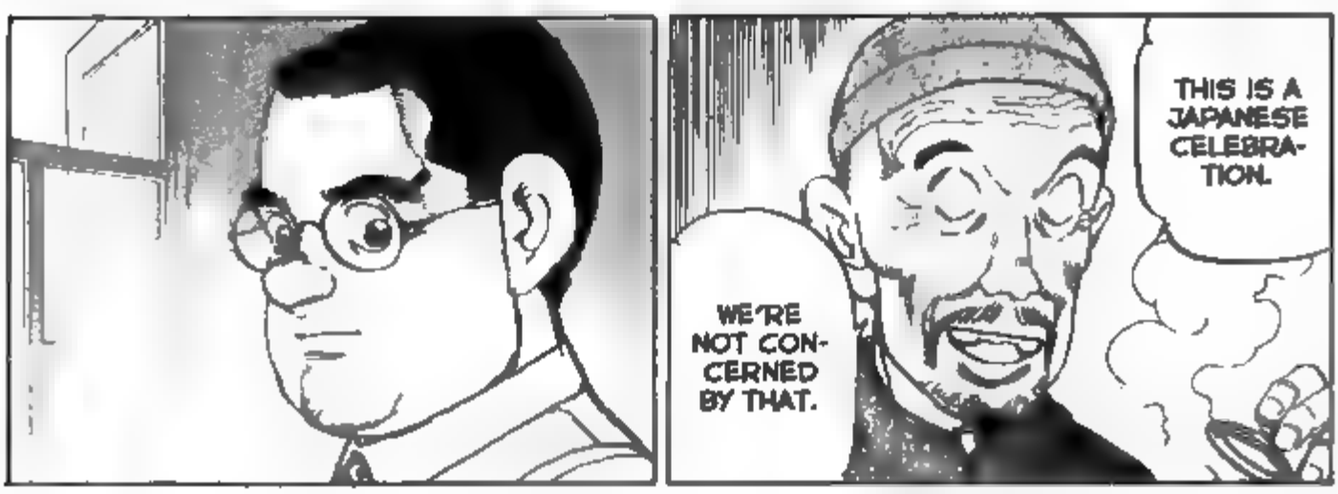

AND ABOUT THE NAVY, ADMIRAL YAMAMOTO IS SURELY TRYING TO REDUCE THE AREA TO DEFEND.

I CAN SPEED UP ITS NORMAL COURSE!

YOSHIMURA, I DON'T HAVE THE POWER TO STOP HISTORY, BUT...

I'M BRINGING YOU BRIOCHES AND TEA.
!

.....
MISTER RYU, AREN'T YOU GOING TO THE PARADE?
THANK YOU...


WE'RE NOT CONCERNED BY THAT.
THIS IS A JAPANESE CELEBRATION.

SORRY FOR BOTHERING YOU.
"ZIGEUNERWEISEN" ...IT'S A DIFFICULT PIECE OF MUSIC.
AND IT'S THE FIRST TIME I'M HEARING THIS TUNE.
IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE YOU LAST PLAYED WITH THIS KIND OF INTENSITY.
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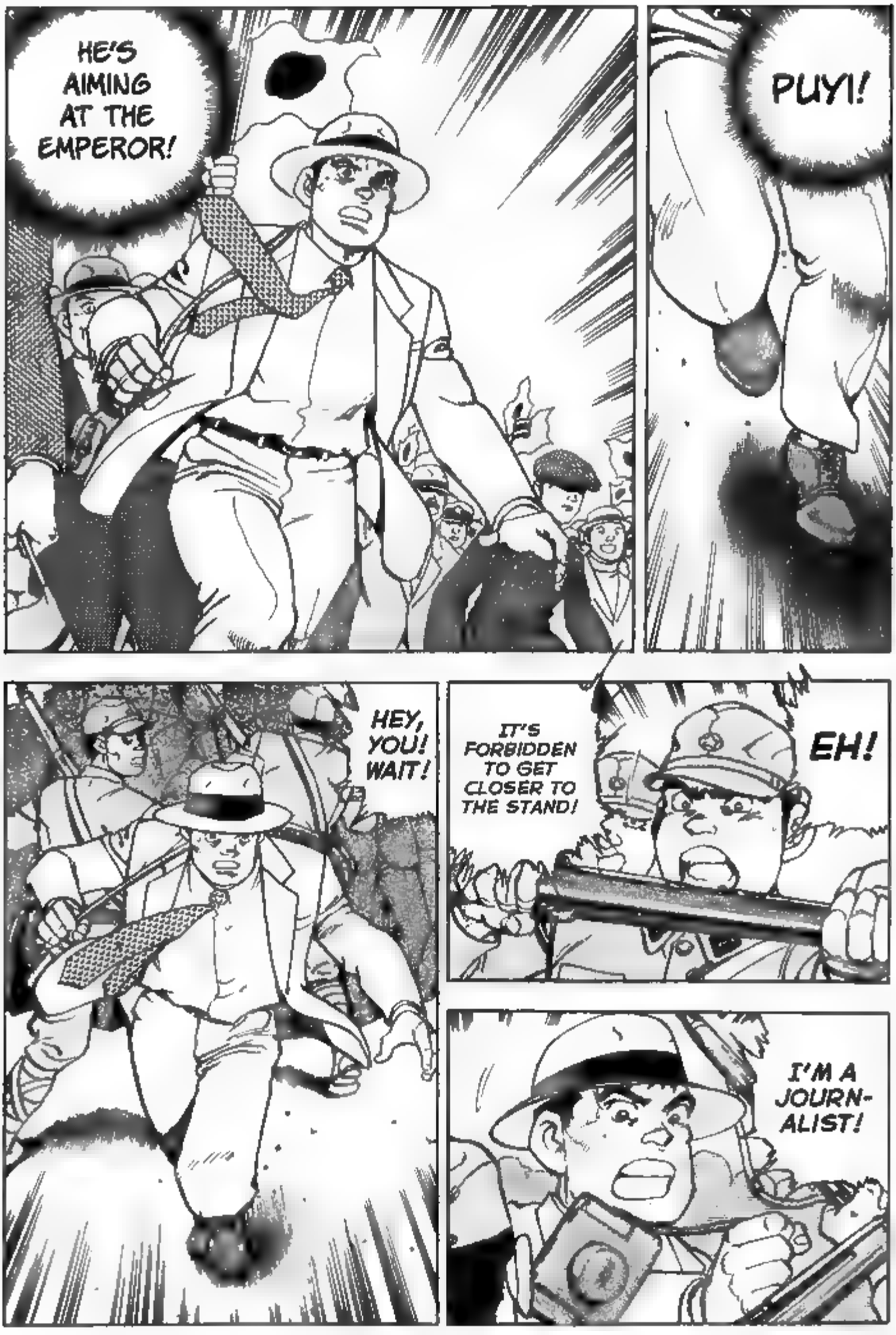
NOT AT ALL. I DON'T UNDERSTAND MUCH,
BUT IT SEEMS WELL PLAYED.
COULD YOU TAKE THIS?
MISTER RYU...
YES?

BUT ISN'T IT A VERY PRECIOUS OBJECT FOR YOU?
I KNOW IT'S KIND OF A WEIRD GIFT TO GIVE YOU AS A THANK YOU FOR YOUR KINDNESS UP UNTIL NOW.
...A GOOD JAPANESE MAN, MISTER.
YOU'RE...
INDEED, BUT THAT'S EXACTLY WHY I WANT TO GIVE IT TO YOU.
REGARDLESS OF WHAT MAY HAPPEN TODAY, STAY AT HOME.
DO YOU UNDER-STAND?
THANK YOU.

ANDO...


HE'S AIMING AT THE EMPEROR!
PUYI!
HEY, YOU! WAIT!
IT'S FORBIDDEN TO GET CLOSER TO THE STAND!
EH!
I'M A JOURN-ALIST!

BE CAREFUL!
EH!? BUT!
...ATTAIN...
MAY MANCHU-KUO...
...HAPPI-NESS.

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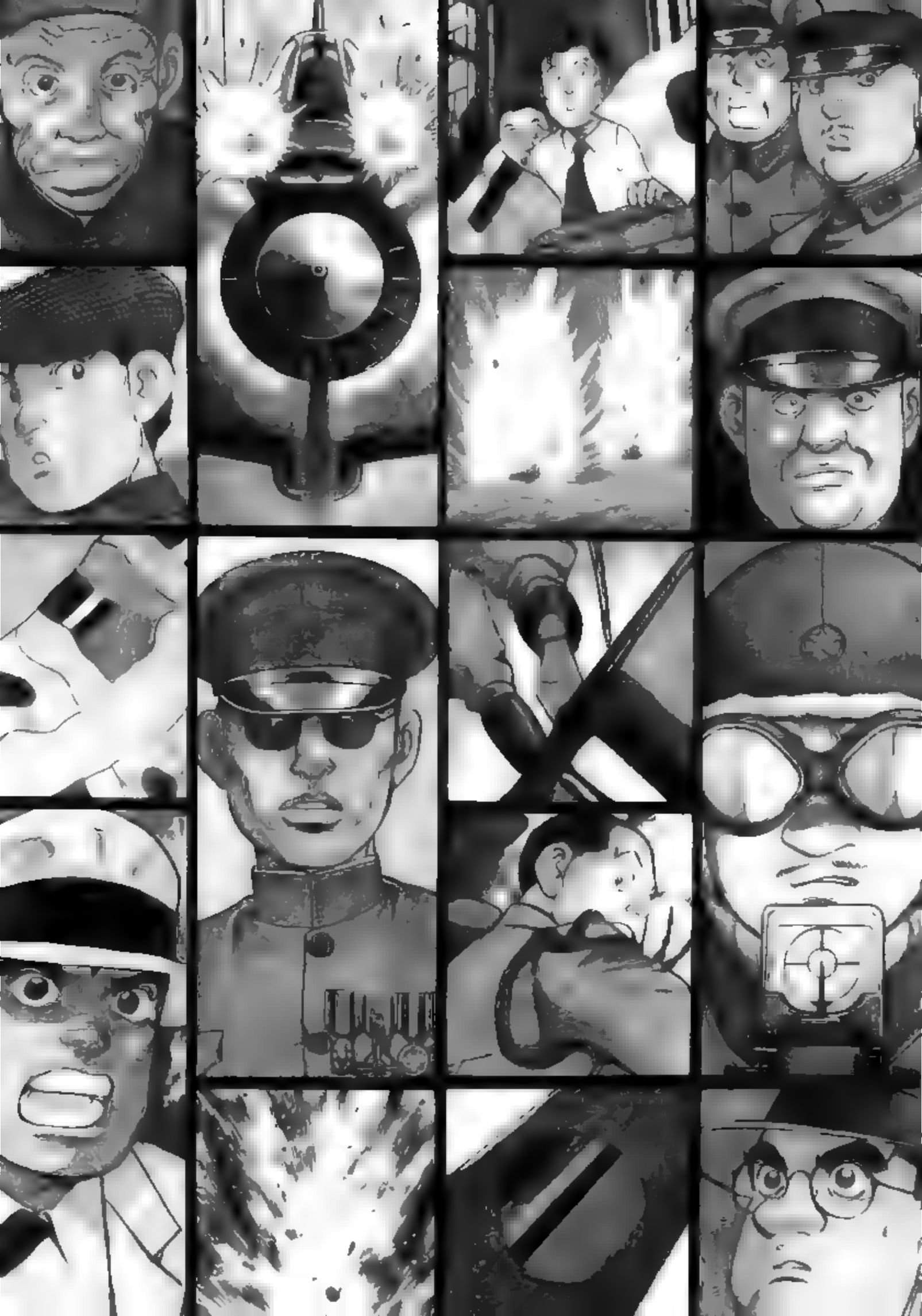

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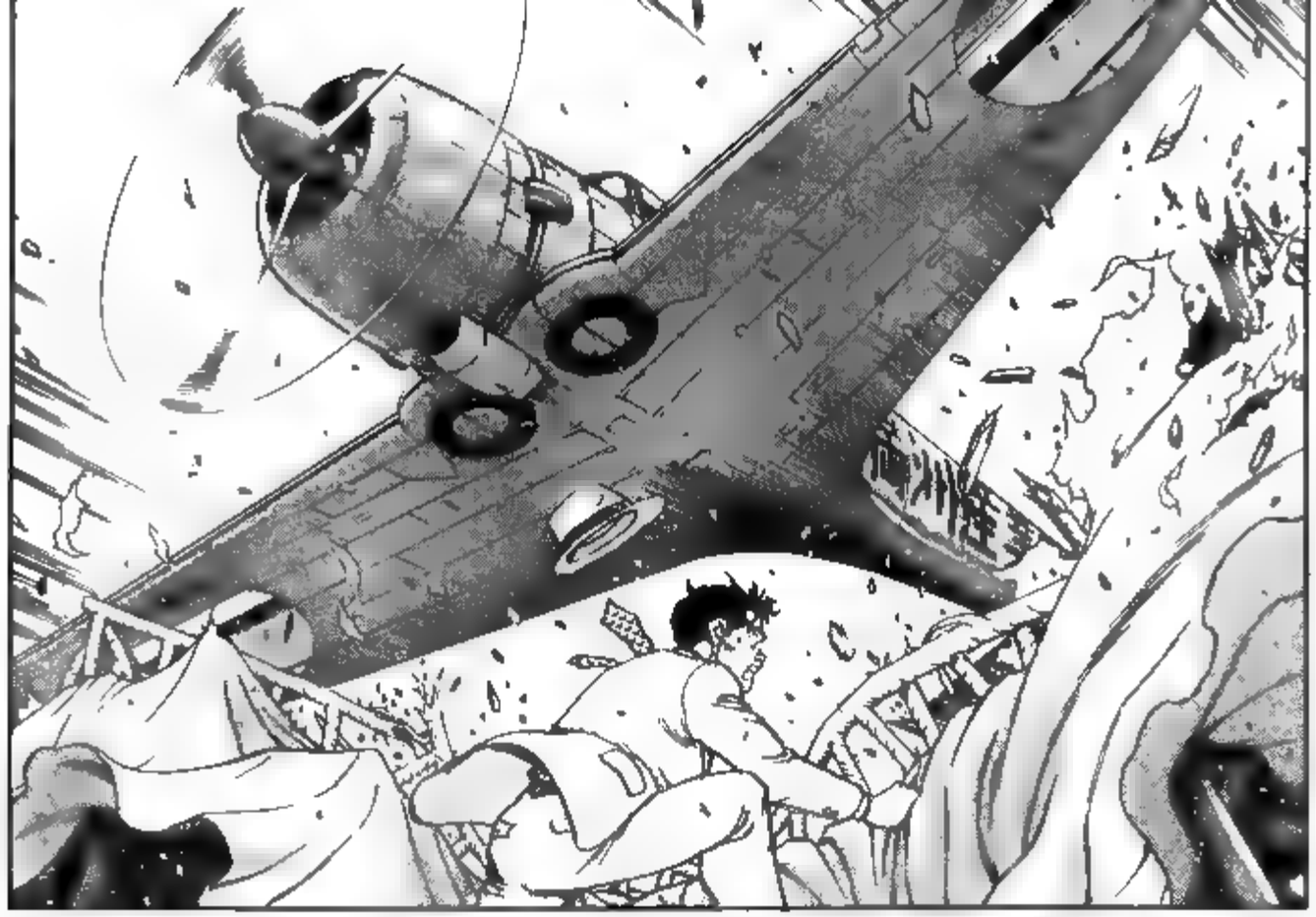

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THIS MAN...
IT'S THE ONE
WHO WAS IN
THE BAR

MINISTER! THE CAR, HURRY!

YES SIR!

AND GET THE MANCHURIA'S ARMY UNDER SURVEILLANCE !!

DECLARE THE STATE OF EMER-GENCY!

DEPLOY TROOPS THROUGH-OUT THE CITY!!

!

AAAH! YOUR HIGH-NESS!

AAAAAAHH!

I...
I DON'T WANT TO DIE!

I...
I DON'T WANT TO DIE!

PUYI IS SPEAKING IN CHINESE

AND HE'S ALIVE!!

PUYI IS HERE!!

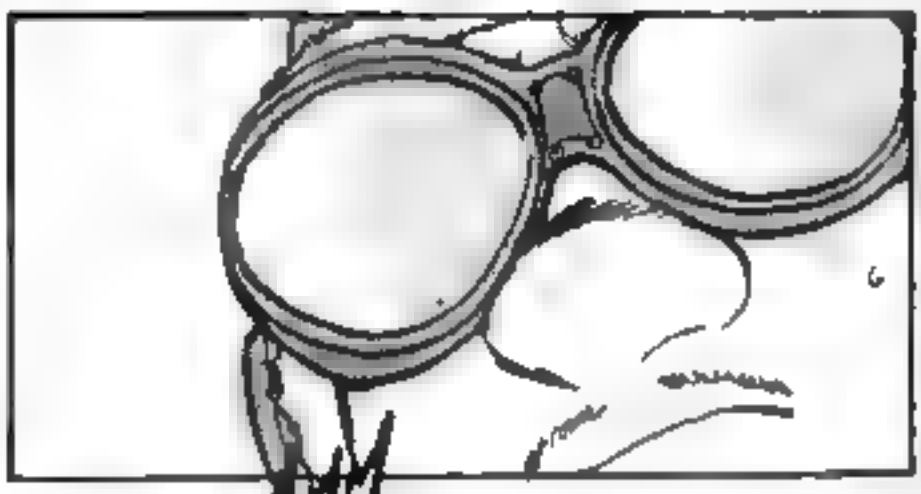
I DON'T WANT TO DIE!

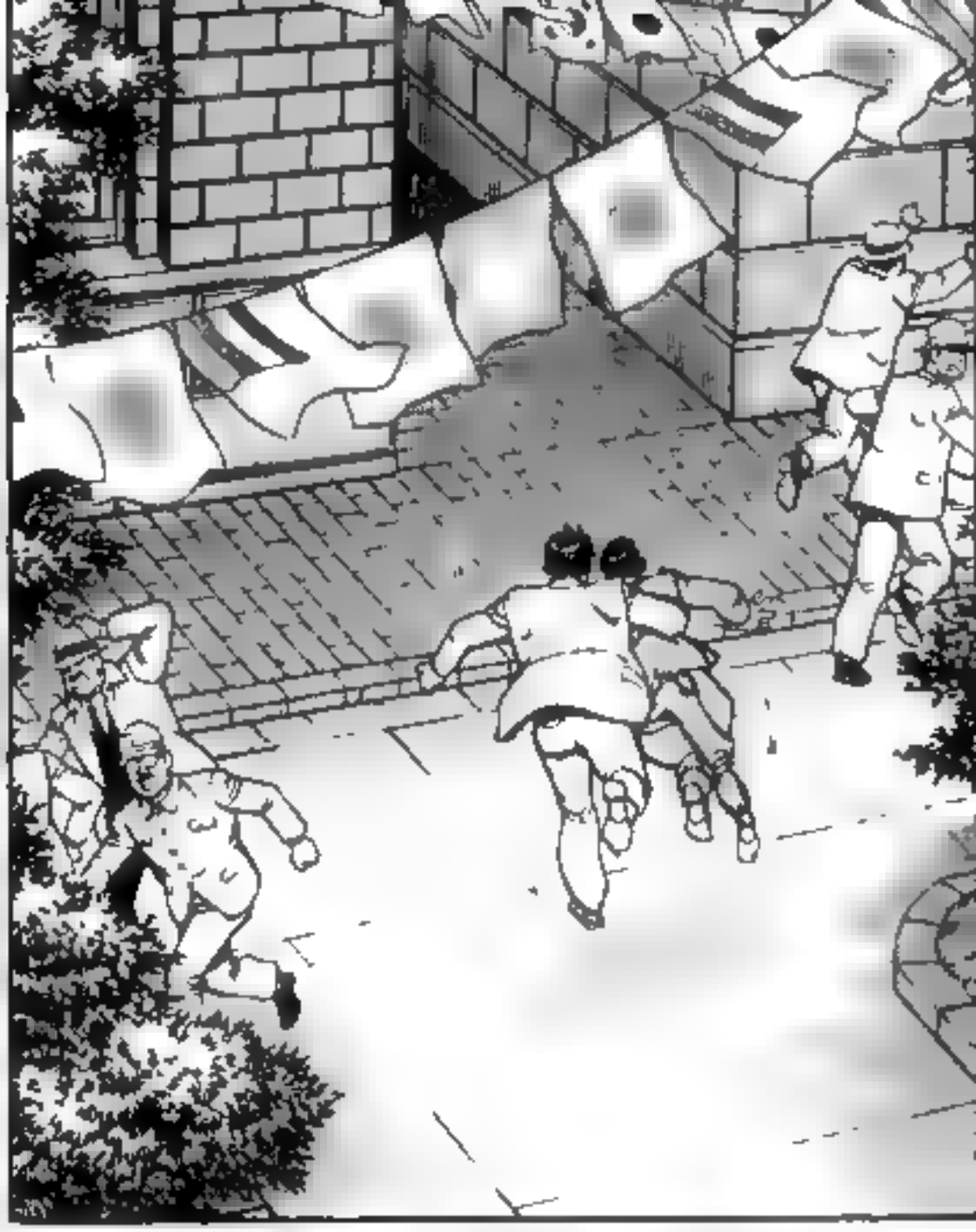
I DON'T WANT TO DIE!

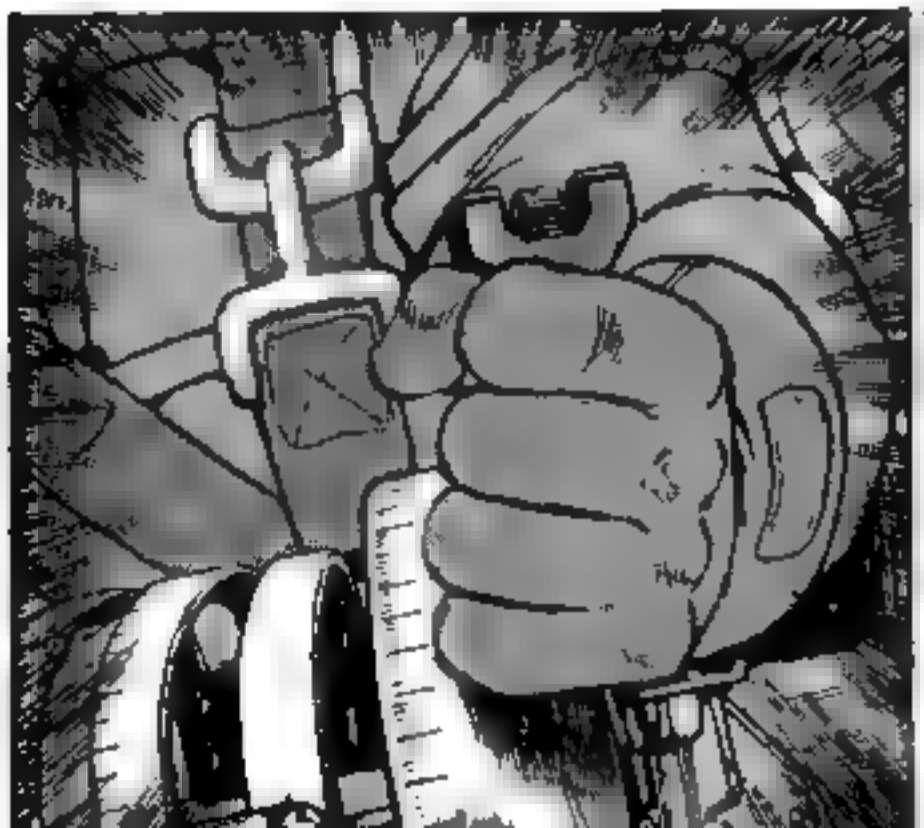
I MUST HIDE!

I MUST HIDE!

RUN!!
!!
HPH!
HPH!
HPH!
RUN IF YOU DON'T WANT TO DIE!
HPH!
HPH!
HPH!
DON'T COME NEAR IF YOU DON'T WANT TO GET CAUGHT IN THE LINE OF FIRE!
EH!
HE'S COMING !!







PUYI... YOU WHERE SAVED BY THAT MAN...

... WAS ME

... THE ONE WHO WAS SAVED ...

...OR MAYBE ...

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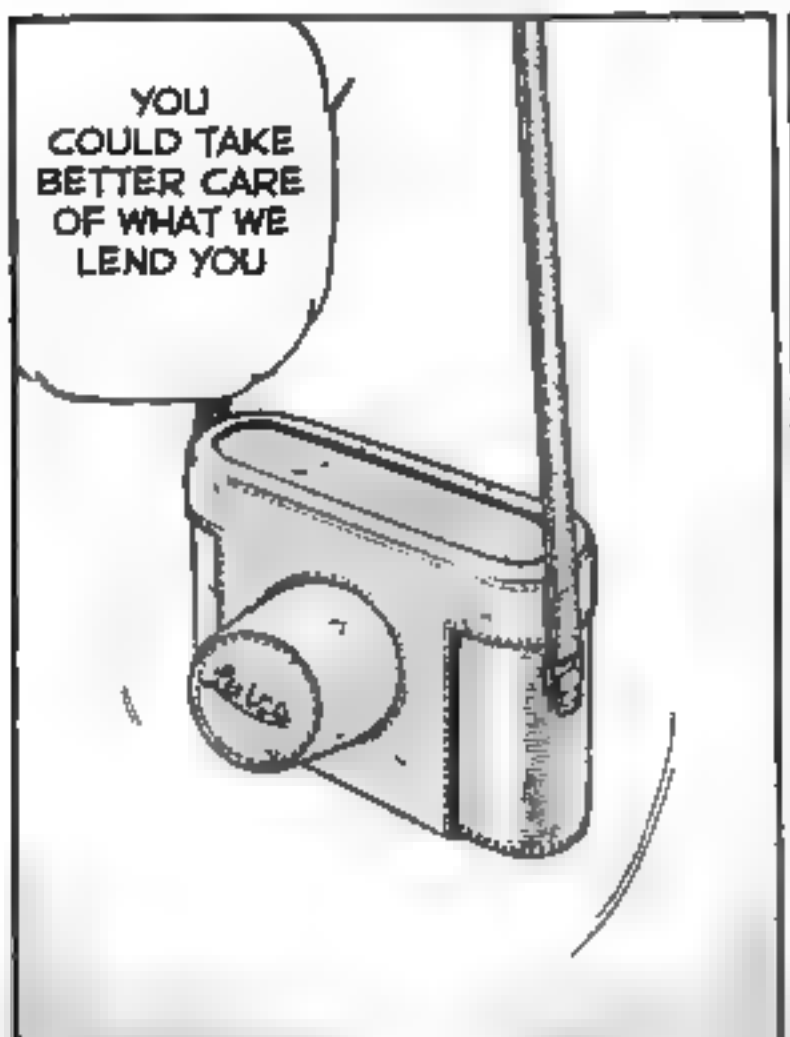
HA!
HA!
HA!


YOU COULD TAKE BETTER CARE OF WHAT WE LEND YOU

!

TO PICK THE EMPEROR ...

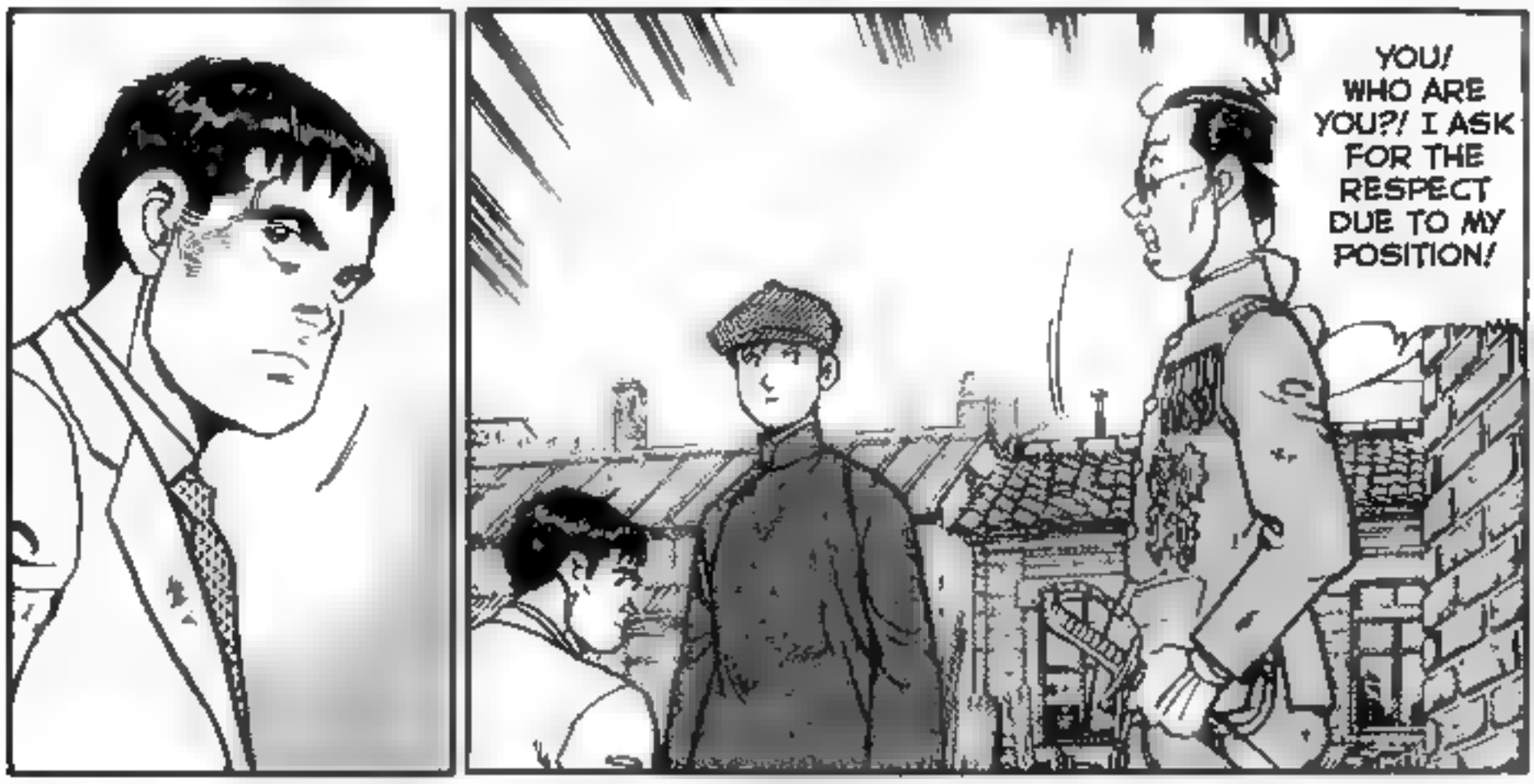
TO ABANDON A LEICA...

EXCUSE ME!?

IN ANY CASE, IT WON'T FACILITATE OUR TASK AT HAND

I'M NOT SURE WE CAN CALL AN EMPEROR A MAN THAT NOBODY WANT TO RISK HIS LIFE TO PROTECT...

THE MAN YOU'RE LOOKING FOR AND WAS TRYING TO KILL THE EMPEROR MUST HAVE SEEN WHAT HAPPENED


YOU! WHO ARE YOU?! I ASK FOR THE RESPECT DUE TO MY POSITION!

WE ARE HERE TO PROTECT YOU FROM THE ARMY WHO'S AFTER YOU
YOUR HIGHNESS

LET'S HURRY UP

THE MORE WE WAIT, THE MORE THE ARMY'S SURVEILLANCE WILL GET TIGHT

THE KIND OF MAN YOU'RE BETTER TO HAVE AS A FRIEND

I HAVE A BETTER UNDERSTAND-ING NOW... THE MAN ALWAYS GET-TING IN OUR WAY...

... IT'S HIM

... TO COME TO HIM

IT SEEMS, HE'S ASKING FOR ME...

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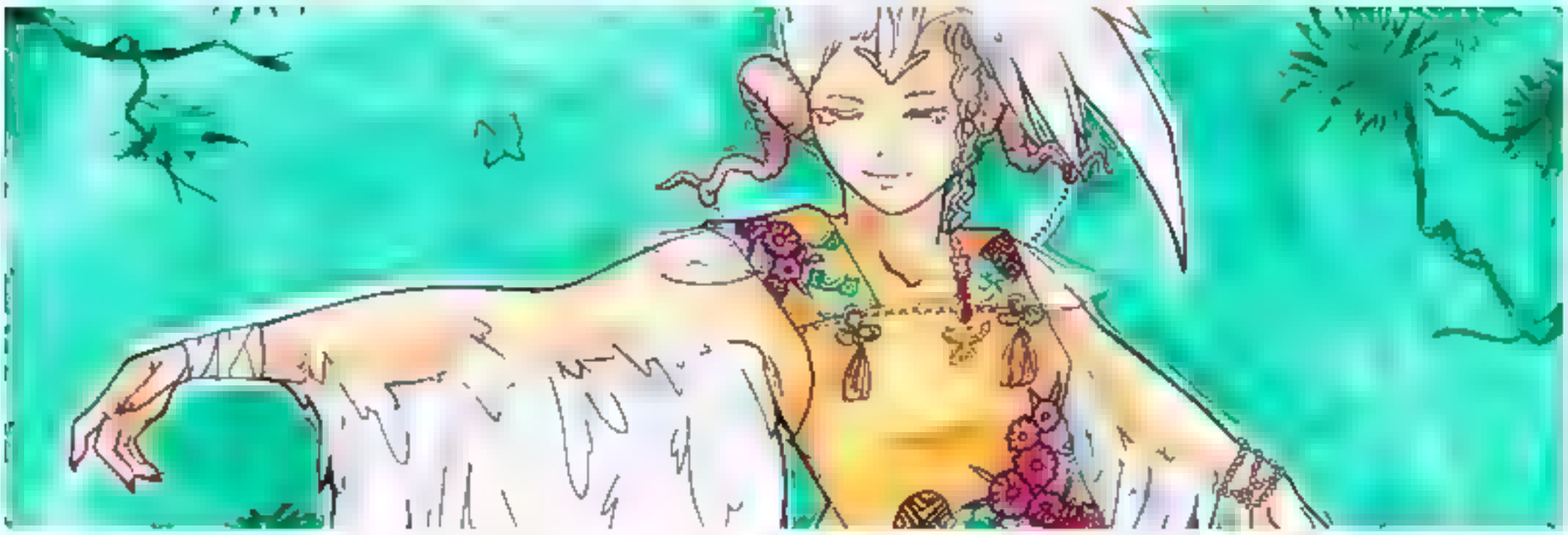

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WHAT HAPPENED TO CHIEF ANDO...?
THE KANTO ARMY!!!
!?

WE ARE THIS COUNTRY'S ARMY.

THERE'S NOTHING TO BE AFRAID OF...

ALL SOLDIERS WILL BE CONSIGNED TO THEIR BARRACKS.

FORMAL PROHIBITION AGAINST FLIGHT UNTIL FURTHER ORDER!

BY THE HEADQUARTERS' ORDER, A STATE OF SIEGE HAS BEEN DECLARED AGAINST THE FIRST AERIAL REGIMENT OF THE MANCHUKUO ARMY!!

HEADQUARTERS OF THE STATE OF SIEGE, GENERAL OF THE LAND ARMY, YOSHIJIRO UMEZU

SURVEILLANCE OF IMPORTANT LOCATIONS BY ARMED SOLDIERS, MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC ORDER AND SECURITY

MILITARY STAFF OF THE KANTO ARMY PUBLIC NOTICE

THAT DAY, A STATE OF SIEGE HAS BEEN DECLARED IN XINJING CITY...

TODAY, THE COMMEMORATION CEREMONY HAS BEEN A GREAT TRIUMPH AND THE IDEALS OF "ODORAKUDO" AND "GOZOKUKYOWA" HAVE BEEN HEARD ALL OVER THE COUNTRY.

WE HIGHLY ADVISE TO AVOID GOING OUT TONIGHT.

CURRENTLY, BECAUSE OF THE CHAOS COMING FROM THE CEREMONY AND THE NECESSITY OF RETURNING TO OUR DAILY LIVES, A REINFORCED SURVEILLANCE HAS BEEN ASSURED IN THE CITY BY THE KANTO ARMY.

CONCERNING HIS IMPERIAL MAJESTY PUYI, HE HAS RETURNED TO HIS TASKS AT THE PALACE AND...

THE KANTO ARMY DOES NOT SEEM VERY SERENE.

DECLARING A STATE OF SIEGE TO RE-ESTABLISH ORDER AFTER THE CEREMONY... IT IS REALLY A BIT TOO MUCH...

ACTING IN BROAD DAYLIGHT, IN FRONT OF THE PUBLIC, THIS AFFAIR IS EXACTLY WITHIN OUR AREA OF OPERATION.

STOP WITH YOUR "COMMANDER" TODAY I AM A SIMPLE CITIZEN, KISARAGI...

WELL... WE'RE GOING TO BE IN YOUR CARE FOR SOME TIME, COMMANDER YABUKI...

IT IS A SHAME THAT I CANNOT TAKE CARE OF IT MYSELF. .

CLANG

!

IF IT CONTINUES LIKE THIS, THE REGIMENTS OF THE DIFFERENT PROVINCES, HEILONG, JIANG, JILIN AND FENGTIAN COULD WELL RISE UP IN TURN.

IF THE EMPEROR HAS BEEN TARGETED, WE CAN DEFINITELY THINK OF A COUP D'ETAT.

DO NOT WORRY, IT'S NOT POISONED.

IF I HAD ESCAPED WITH MY TREASURES TO LONDON...

I STILL PREFER THE FORBIDDEN CITY OF BEIJING...

NO... THE FUGITIVE LIFE AT TIANJIN.

GRR...

HOW WILL I BE ABLE TO FACE MY ANCESTORS AFTER THIS...?

I WOULDN'T HAVE LET MYSELF BE TRICKED BY THOSE OFFICERS; ITAGAKI OR DOIHARA...

TAC

WHAT FARCE! IS THIS IT, AN EMPEROR?! WHEN NOT ONE SOLDIER HAS MOVED?!

FOOD IS NOT MADE FOR THAT.

FLOP

ALL THAT I WANT...

IS TO BE A TRUE EMPEROR.

I DON'T NEED THE NORTH-EASTERN LAND...

...NOR THE 30 MILLION CITIZENS...

...TAKE THE FLOUR, STEAM, AND MAKE A DISH...

SOW THE SEED, HARVEST...

...THERE ARE SOME WHO DO THAT... AND THERE WILL BE AN EMPEROR.

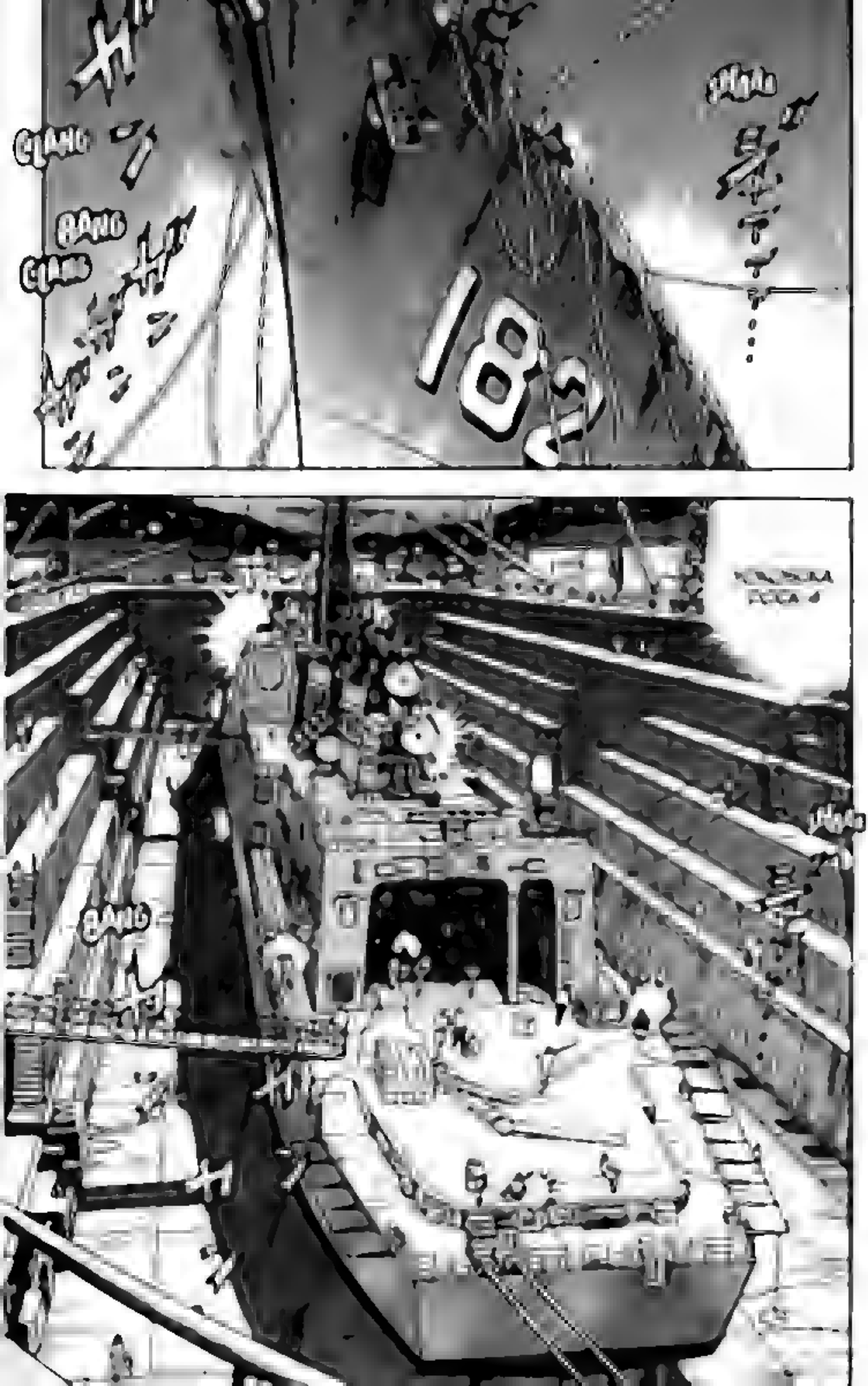
...MY PRECEPTOR TAUGHT ME WHAT ONE NEEDED TO DO AS AN EMPEROR.

HOWEVER... NO ONE HAS EVER TAUGHT ME...

BOO...

WHEN I WAS A CHILD...

WHAT ONE NEEDS TO DO TO BECOME AN EMPEROR...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GOOD MORNING, CAPTAIN OGURI...

THE

ZAT

AH!

MAJOR KAWA-MOTO!!

THE LAST TIME WE MET, IT WAS AT ANAMABAS, WASN'T IT? AH... I MISS YOUR SONG "KIMIKOISHI".

I HAVE BEEN POSTED AT THE YOKOSUKA HEAD QUARTERS SO I HAVE COME TO VISIT YOU.

YES?

IN TRUTH, I HAVE COME TO INFORM YOU OF ONE THING...

THE LAND ARMY HAS DONE ALL IT CAN TO HIDE IT BUT...

A STATE OF SIEGE IN MANCHURIA?!

IT IS TRULY AN EVENT THAT ISN'T IN YOUR HISTORY...

BUT...

YES, I THINK SO TOO...

KUSA-KA!!!

CAN WE BE SURPRISED...? NO, I DON'T THINK SO...

UNREST IN MANCHURIA...

KUSAKA, YOU HAVE LOCKED YOURSELF UP IN THAT ROOM..

ARCHIVES

I HAVE PURSUED YOUR WAY OF THINKING...

SURROUNDED BY ALL THESE DOCUMENTS...

WILL LOSE THEIR COMMON ENEMY AND WILL RETURN TO THEIR QUARREL...

THE COMMUNIST PARTY AND THE NATIONALIST PARTY...

...THE LAND ARMY WILL HAVE TO LEAVE CHINA.

IF THE SITUATION WORSENS IN MANCHURIA...

..THE BIRTH OF THE EAST-WEST COLD WAR!

...IN OUR HISTORY...

THAT IS HOW EVENTS WILL UNFOLD AFTER THE DEFEAT OF JAPAN.

THE COMMUNISTS, SUPPORTED BY THE SOVIET UNION AND THE NATIONALISTS BY THE UNITED STATES... THIS CREATES A CONFLICT WITHIN THE ALLIES.

IF, WITH ALL OUR MILITARY FORCE KEPT IN RESERVE, WE MAKE A DECISIVE ATTACK...

THE RISE OF COMMUNISM IS WHAT THE UNITED STATES FEARS THE MOST.

...AN UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER INCREASES..

THE PROBABILITY OF AVOIDING. .

BUT IF IT FAILS...

IT IS A VERY SMALL PROBABILITY. .

JAPAN ITSELF WILL DISAPPEAR!

YOU, WHO HAVE CALCULATED TO THIS POINT, CAN YOU PLAY A GAME THIS DANGEROUS?

PEOPLE TAKE RISKS BY MEASURING THE DANGERS OF THE SITUATION...

WHAT DO YOU SEE THAT I DON'T?!

HE WAS HERE A FEW MOMENTS AGO, BUT...

DO YOU KNOW WHERE THE ADMIRAL IS?

YES!

YOU ARE SERIOUS THEN...?

KUSAKA...

FOR FINDING ME A PLACE TO DIE...

I THANK YOU...

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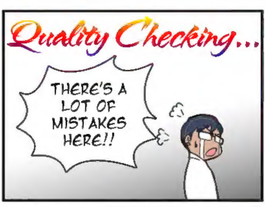

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